

MONTHLY UPDATE

Ingrid Michaelson helping SI Museum

The Staten Island Museum's new state-of-the-art facility at Snug Harbor is slated to open to the public soon, and singer/songwriter Ingrid Michaelson is determined to name one of the five new gallery spaces after her mother, the museum's late president and CEO, Elizabeth Egbert.

Demos for Betty (Benefiting the Staten Island Museum) is now available for purchase on iTunes with proceeds going to the Staten Island Museum in memory of Elizabeth Egbert. In addition, Michaelson is offering VIP packages at every stop of her current tour ranging from \$20 to \$500 (in addition to ticket price) which will also benefit the museum. Packages vary from song dedications during her set, exclusive swag, and early venue entry to backstage tours, meet and greet, and a photo with the artist. Packages can be purchased through IngridMichaelson.com/tour.

Nasso, Kim team up for martial arts film

Film producer Julius Nasso announced his partnership with Master Jhong Uhk Kim, respectfully known as Grandmaster Kim for his renowned success in martial arts. The duo is currently in pre-production for "Darc," a \$12 million budget martial arts film.

"This partnership will bridge the gap on an art form that has, as of late, been omitted from the film genre. Together Grandmaster Kim and I will re-introduce martial arts to film in the authen-

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Meridian Global Advisors hosts launch party



Special to Business Trends
Meridian Global Advisors, a financial services team under the auspices of MetLife Premier Client Group, NY South, hosted a launch party to celebrate its formation. Team members include Daniel Macri, certified financial planner; Michelle DeNisco, financial planner, financial services representative and investment advisor representative; and Thomas A Crociata, financial services representative.

The retreat: A physical for your company

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Business Trends

Corporate retreats. Team-building exercises. Company outings. It goes by different names, and can take different forms.

No matter the design or application, corpo-

rate retreats have simple goals in mind – to connect co-workers in an outside environment in hopes of fostering better teamwork inside the office; to examine a company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats; and to reward employees for a job well done.

"For 40 years, I've taken a day or two to go someplace away from the office and almost do an examination of my company with my top executives," said Richard Nicotra, who has run corporate retreats for his vast array

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