



Press Release

New Orleans area Musician and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Survivor to speak at company who manufactures the device that helped save his life.

Maurice Trosclair will address the employees of Stryker Physio-Control in Redmond, Washington on July 25, 2018.

Kenner, Louisiana USA – July 23, 2018 – On Valentine's Day 2017 local New Orleans musician Maurice Trosclair beat the odds and survived a Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), a deadly medical emergency which only has a 10% survival rate when occurring outside a hospital. With the help of citizen first responders performing CPR on an elevator and administering shocks from an automated external defibrillator (AED), EMS was able to continue and execute a near perfect "chain of survival." Jefferson Parish EMS used the Stryker Physio-Control's LUCAS 3 Chest Compression System to continue chest compressions on Trosclair from his collapse site to the emergency room and beyond.

On July 25, 2018, Trosclair will tell his amazing story of survival and thank the manufacturers of this life-saving device. Stryker Physio-Control invited Trosclair to address their employees at their 3rd quarter kick-off event in Redmond, Washington. "I truly believe that the LUCAS 3 device was a critical link in my survival. Continuing the CPR and chest compressions of the first responders kept a steady flow of oxygen to my brain which limited any neurological damage and ultimately maximized the extent of my recovery. It is extremely humbling and gratifying to be invited to share my experience and to personally thank Physio-Control," says Trosclair.

Since his SCA on 2/14/17, Trosclair has returned to his job as a Senior Exploration Technician at Upstream Exploration LLC and to performing trombone professionally with Delfeayo Marsalis and The Uptown Jazz Orchestra and several other New Orleans musical groups. He and his wife Nancy Trosclair, have also launched their own non-profit organization, **Heartbeat NOLA**. Their focus is SCA awareness, teaching CPR to those in the music, arts and hospitality industries and raising funds to place more publically accessible AEDs in the New Orleans area. "Our ultimate goal is to make survival from Sudden Cardia Arrest the norm, not the exception," says Nancy Trosclair, Owner of Destination New Orleans and VP, Heartbeat NOLA.

About Heartbeat NOLA:

Heartbeat NOLA Mission: To significantly increase the number of New Orleans citizens who are trained in CPR/AED/First Aid and will be able to save a life from Sudden Cardiac Arrest – the leading cause of death in the US. Heartbeat NOLA is a citizen CPR & AED Awareness and Education Program as well as a Fundraising Campaign to place more accessible AEDs in the New Orleans area. We also provide training and certification in CPR, AED and Emergency First Aid.

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