

Generic Event Checklist	Volunteer			Date due for	Status
	Yes	No	Responsible	completion	
• Confirm date and time of event					
• Confirm type of event (dinner, reception, lunch, etc)					
• Develop budget					
• Estimate attendance					
• Choose venue					
• Meet with Alumni Engagement to determine:					
o Visual image					
o Printing or electronic invitations					
o Event website					
o Printed program					
• A/V requirements					
o Mic and podium					
o Video of event?					
o Webcasting?					
o Sound					
o Lighting					
o Riser/stage					
o Sound technician					
• Facilities					
o Coordinate cleaning of the room/building					
o Coordinate clean-up after the event					
• Décor					

o Lighting					
o Flowers					
o Banners, flags					
• Parking					
o Parking passes required for guests?					
• Security					
o Event security					
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• Invitation list					
o Compiled					
o Circulated					
o Approved					
• Plaque (or recognition signage)					
o Drafted					
o Circulated					
o Approved					
• Catering					
o Venue site visit if necessary					
o Quote					
o Confirmation of contract (incl. rentals)					
o Liquor license (if required – internal and external approval)					
• Entertainment					
o Obtain quote					
o Select performers					

• Confirmation of speakers					
o # of speakers (Keep to a minimum)					
o Duration of remarks per person (recommended 3-4 mins.)					
o Provide key messages					
o Review draft of remarks					
o Liaise with speech writer					
o Emcee remarks / script					
• Program					
o Order of speakers					
o Protocol (introductions, titles, etc.) (Indigenous welcome)					
• Speaker Gifts					
o Gifts for speakers					
• Photographer					
o Create shot list					
o Book photographer					
• Media Release					
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o Content for release					
o Release date					
• Invitations Sent (5 – 6 weeks from event)					
o Electronic					
o Print					
• Special Seating					
o Dinner seating plan					

o Special reserve seating					
• RSVP'd					
o Responsibility of					
o Online					
o Print					
o Monitor in case of need for venue change or event set-up					
• Staffing					
o Develop staff/volunteer task list					
o Assign volunteer to specific task					
o Schedule in breaks/meals					
o Provide orientation the day before event					
o Provide FAQ about event and guests					
• Briefing notes to host (Dean, dept head, etc.)					
o Summarize event					
o Summarize program					
o # of guests					
o Alpha list of guests attending					
o Bio of speakers					
o About notable guests					
• Confirm Catering #'s one week before					