



The Skirvin Hilton
Oklahoma City

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**SKIRVIN HILTON HOTEL NAMES OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNUS AS NEW GENERAL
MANAGER**

Brett Sundstrom Named GM of Historic AAA Four Diamond Skirvin Hilton Hotel

OKLAHOMA CITY (February 18, 2014) — [Marcus® Hotels & Resorts](#), majority owner and operator of the Skirvin Hilton Hotel, has selected a new general manager to lead Oklahoma City's most historic, AAA Four Diamond hotel, The Skirvin Hilton, located in the downtown business district. Accomplished hospitality veteran Brett Sundstrom began his career at Oklahoma State University at its Hotel and Restaurant Administration School. Sundstrom brings 21 years of diverse hotel and operations management experience to the Skirvin Hotel.

Before his return to Oklahoma, Sundstrom served as the managing director of the AAA Four Diamond Grand Geneva Resort and Spa in Lake Geneva, Wis., another Marcus Hotels & Resorts property. As managing director of the Grand Geneva, he supervised more than 1,000 associates and ensured efficient operations of the resort's various divisions, which ranged from golf, ski and spa to destination dining and meetings. In 2013 the Grand Geneva Resort was recognized for hospitality excellence and received the Gold Key award from *Meetings and Conventions*. The resort was also a 13 time recipient of the prestigious Pinnacle Award from *Successful Meetings*. Prior to the Grand Geneva, Sundstrom was the general manager of another Marcus property, the Xona Resort Suites in Scottsdale, Ariz. Prior to his six years with Marcus Hotels & Resorts, Sundstrom worked with The Procaccianti Group as a general manager for two Oklahoma hotels — Tulsa's Doubletree Warren Place and Oklahoma City's Marriott Waterford. His career also includes seven years with Adams Mark Hotels and Resorts.

The 1992 alum of Oklahoma State's Hotel and Restaurant Administration School began his career with Outrigger Hotels & Resorts, working for five years as an executive assistant manager in San Antonio, Texas, West Hollywood Calif. and Sedona, Ariz.

"As an OSU alum, my love for this state runs deep, so I jumped at the opportunity to return and work as general manager of this iconic Oklahoma landmark," Sundstrom said. "I look forward to joining a team of passionate, quality-minded individuals who will write the next chapters of the Skirvin story."

“During his time with Marcus Hotels & Resorts, I’ve known Brett to be a first-class manager, and look forward to his joining the Skirvin’s dynamic team,” said Joe Khairallah, chief operating officer of Marcus Hotels & Resorts. “We are confident his diverse hospitality pedigree coupled with his Oklahoma roots will enrich and expand the Skirvin’s grandeur.”

Sundstrom’s Oklahoma ties extend to his wife, Martha, who graduated from high school in Edmond, Okla. Sundstrom’s in-laws have been Edmond residents for 30 years and his father-in-law, Tom McCormick, is senior vice president with Kimray, Inc.

Sundstrom was recently appointed to the Board of Directors for the Oklahoma Hotel and Lodging Association (OH&LA).

The Skirvin Hilton is majority-owned and operated by [Marcus Hotels & Resorts](#), in partnership with [Skirvin Partners in Development](#).

About The Skirvin Hilton Hotel

The Skirvin Hilton originally opened in 1911 and has been synonymous with elegance and innovation for the past five generations, hosting oil barons, dignitaries, movie stars, political leaders and presidents ever since. Guests from around the globe have traveled through the downtown Skirvin Hilton to experience its unique sophistication and timelessness. In 2007, Skirvin Partners in Development, Marcus Hotels & Resorts and the Hilton partnered on renovating the hotel to its original glory. The reopening event was designated as an official Oklahoma Centennial event and since the renovation; the hotel has earned a AAA Four Diamond rating every year and received the Mayor’s Development Award for best downtown development.

The hotel features 225 luxuriously appointed guest rooms, including 20 one-bedroom suites, one presidential suite and 18,500 square feet of premiere meeting and pre-function space. It is home to the upscale Park Avenue Grill restaurant and Red Piano lounge.

Last year, the Skirvin was named one of the best hotel meeting destinations and received a prestigious Pinnacle Award from *Successful Meetings*. The hotel was also once again recognized as one of the 2014 Best Hotels in the USA by *U.S. News & World Report*, finishing as the #1 Hotel in Oklahoma City and the State of Oklahoma. The hotel remains on the National Register of Historic Places.

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