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**Guion Macsovits**

2025 Ambassador



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## ✨ Jane Lynch to Receive GLOBAL's Highest Honor at Be Beautiful Be Yourself Fashion Show ✨

We are thrilled to announce that **Jane Lynch** – five-time Emmy winner, two-time SAG Award winner, and Golden Globe recipient – will receive GLOBAL's most prestigious honor: the Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Award. She will join fellow honoree, acclaimed actor and disability advocate Kevin Iannucci, at this year's *Be Beautiful Be Yourself Fashion Show* on Saturday, October 18th.

Chairs Jay Mills & Kiana Akina and Andy & Meg Kauth, along with Ambassador Guion Macsovits & Family, are working tirelessly to make this year's event our **BEST EVER!** [Get the Full Celebrity Lineup](#)

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## Breakthrough DS Research

In a groundbreaking new study published in *Nature* this week, researchers from the Crnic Institute discovered important differences in the physiological changes in over 300 individuals with Down syndrome across the lifespan. [Read More](#)

## R&R with Rockin' Moms! 🍷

DSDN organized an inspiring Rockin' Mom Retreat in GA. 300+ moms of young kids with Down syndrome attended the GLOBAL Roundtable featuring renowned medical professionals. Mimosas were served with the latest updates on early development, pediatric trials, eye care, and NIH research! [Learn More](#)



## GLOBAL Visits NIH in Bethesda

GLOBAL and Crnic Institute executives met NIH leaders responsible for the INCLUDE Project Act. We're grateful to the Office of the Director, NIA, NICHD, NHLBI & other institutes investing in the health of people with Down syndrome. The DeOndra Dixon INCLUDE Project Act would ensure the future of Down syndrome research at the NIH. [Take Action!](#)



## Crnic Institute Symposium Highlights Advancements

GLOBAL Self-Advocate Taylor Shelsta, along with Executives Michelle Sie Whitten and Bryn Gelaro, were honored to provide welcome remarks at the Annual Crnic Institute Symposium. Taylor presented using his AAC device. This CU Campus-wide symposium showcases advancements in Down syndrome research, promotes collaboration, and attracts new investigators to the field. [Crnic Institute News](#)



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Your donation will fund life-changing research and medical care for people with Down syndrome. Together we will elongate lives and improve health outcomes!

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The Global Down Syndrome Foundation (GLOBAL) is the largest non-profit in the U.S. working to save lives and dramatically improve health outcomes for people with Down syndrome. GLOBAL established the first Down syndrome research institute and supports over 400 scientists and over 2,700 patients with Down syndrome from 33 states and 10 countries. Working closely with Congress and the National Institutes of Health, GLOBAL is the lead advocacy organization in the U.S. for Down syndrome research and care. GLOBAL has a membership of over 120 Down syndrome organizations worldwide, and is part of a network of Affiliates – the [Cnric Institute for Down Syndrome](#), the [Sie Center for Down Syndrome](#), the [University of Colorado Alzheimer's and Cognition Center](#) – all on the Anschutz Medical Campus, and the [GLOBAL Adult Down Syndrome Clinic](#) at Denver Health.

GLOBAL's widely circulated medical publications include [Global Medical Care Guidelines for Adults with Down Syndrome](#), [Prenatal & Newborn Down Syndrome Information](#), and the award-winning magazine [Down Syndrome World TM](#). GLOBAL also organizes the annual [AcceptAbility Gala](#) in Washington DC, and the annual [Be Beautiful Be Yourself Fashion Show](#), the largest Down syndrome fundraiser in the world.

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