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Look at fall, in stars: Jones, Reilly, King and Glover

Be prepared for some wattage at upcoming Denver charity events.

Let's start with **Quincy Jones**, coming Oct. 10 for the Be Beautiful Be Yourself! Set Fashion Show — a funder for Down syndrome research.

Organizers include cable pioneer **John Sie** and his daughter **Michelle Sie Whitten**, whose daughter, **Sophia Whitten**, has Down syndrome. So do many people you know.

Jones will be honored with the first Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Award. And plans are to take this gala to London and Los Angeles, where Jones has the power to pull in the boldest names in music.

How did Jones get on board? He's old friends with John Sie, who retired as Starz CEO in 2004. The night is almost sold out — with a Saks fashion show, **Tom Arnold** stopping by and **Josh Kelley** performing. Tix at 303-468-6663. Which brings us to **Rick Reilly**,



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the Denver-based ESPN sportswriter who'll be in town Oct. 9 for the Asian Pacific Development Center dinner. Go to apdc.org.

The group supports adoption of Korean children. Reilly adopted daughter **Rae** with then-wife **Linda** when the kid was 4 months old. **Kelly** and his wife, actress **Katherine Heigl**, also have adopted, just this month.

Reilly says Rae's adoption has been the greatest experience in his life. **Larry King** emcees the High Hopes Carousel Ball on Saturday night. And this just in: **Danny Glover** is in town Nov. 14 for the Zarlengo Foundation Ball.

Gunny. I liked "Rain" enough to sit through both acts — but the Beatles tribute concert playing the Buell through Sunday bugged me. The actor playing/singing John Lennon, **Steve Landes**, was chewing gum like a halflayer. Distracting, I thought, and disgusting. I hate gum.

People told me it was probably the altitude, that the gum kept his vocal cords lubed.

So I call my Crested Butte friend **Lynnda "Cat Lady" Pettit**, who is kind of a living John Lennon search engine, and she gave me the facts. Lennon almost **ALWAYS** chewed gum, when he sang. So Landes was right. I was wrong. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Ranch hands. **John Fielder's** new coffee-table tome, "Ranches of Colorado" — at \$95 and 7 pounds — is a collection of photos of 50 breathtaking Colorado ranches and 10 essays by the late James Meadow, the

Rocky reporter who died in a bike accident the same day he handed in the final edit.

Fielder's pictures are, as always, gorgeous. And Meadow's writing is equally focused and heartfelt.

"His essays are some of the best stories I have ever read about people and ranchers," says Fielder. "He just brought out the heart and soul of these Colorado families."

Fielder will be at the Tattered Cover LODO at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 15.

City split. **George Wendt**, a.k.a. Norm from "Cheers," is at the Great American Beer Festival this weekend. ... Books by two

Colorado authors are on The New York Times' best-seller list: "The Healing of America" by **T.R. Reid** and "Culture of Corruption" (No. 1) by Colorado Springs' **Michelle Malkin**. ... Sez who: "When it sounds too bad to be true, Oprah, dry your eyes and check the facts."

Michelle Malkin

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Cable pioneer John Sie and granddaughter Sophia Whitten share a smile.

