



A fundraiser for the  
**GLOBAL DOWN SYNDROME FOUNDATION**

funding life-changing research and life-saving medical care for children and adults with Down syndrome

**Wednesday, June 7, 2023 • Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill**  
**6:00PM Cocktail Reception | 7:00PM Performance & Program | 9:00PM Concludes**

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's annual *AcceptAbility Gala* brings together policymakers from both sides of the aisle, key scientists from NIH, and our Down syndrome community. Together, our advocacy efforts have increased the NIH Down syndrome research and medical care budget by nearly \$200 million over the last five years! The *AcceptAbility Gala* is an opportunity to celebrate our success, especially major new federal research funding increases after years of being one of the least funded genetic conditions.

Ambassador:

**Abby Ashbrook**

Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Awardees:

**Congresswoman Katherine Clark (D-MA)**

**Congressman Pete Stauber (R-MN)**

Special Guests:

**Congressman Tom Cole**

**Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro**

**Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers**

Gala Committee:

**Jan Adams**

**Cory Alexander**

**Kevin Brennan**

**David Egan**

**Natalie Farr**

**Erin Book Mullen**

**Matthew Perin**

**Cliff Riccio**

**Julie Riccio**

**Frank Stephens**

**Marissa Watkins**

**Amy Best Weiss**

**Salo Zelsermyer**

2023 Congressional Hosts (In formation):

**Congressman Robert Aderholt**

**Congressman Katherine Clark**

**Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro**

**Senator John Hickenlooper**

**Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers**

**Congressman Pete Stauber**

2023 Honorary Congressional Committee (In formation):

**Congressman Gus Bilirakis**

**Congressman Buddy Carter**

**Congressman David Cicilline**

**Congresswoman Yvette Clarke**

**Congressman Emanuel Cleaver**

**Congressman Lou Correa**

**Congressman Jason Crow**

**Senator Ted Cruz**

**Congresswoman Virginia Foxx**

**Congresswoman Lois Frankel**

**Congressman Andrew Garbarino**

**Congressman Robert Garcia**

**Congressman Wesley Hunt**

**Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee**

**Congresswoman Jen Kiggans**

**Congressman Derek Kilmer**

**Senator Amy Klobuchar**

**Congressman Darin LaHood**

**Congressman Bob Latta**

**Senator Cynthia Lummis**

**Senator Ed Markey**

**Congressman Brian Mast**

**Congresswoman Lucy McBath**

**Congressman Michael McCaul**

**Congressman Pat McHenry**

**Congressman Rob Menendez**

**Congresswoman Carol Miller**

**Senator Chris Murphy**

**Congressman Greg Murphy**

**Congressman Chris Pappas**

**Senator Marco Rubio**

**Congressman Steve Scalise**

**Congresswoman Abigail Spanberger**

**Congresswoman Haley Stevens**

**Senator Roger Wicker**



Musical Entertainment & Special Guests:

**GRAMMY® Award-nominated multiplatinum singer & songwriter Gavin DeGraw**  
Dance Performances by RhythmXpress & Robert Wallop

Emcees:

**Kyra Phillips, ABC News Correspondent**  
**John Roberts, Fox News Channel Anchor**

**PAST QUINCY JONES EXCEPTIONAL ADVOCACY AWARD HONOREES**

**Quincy Jones**, Music Icon  
**DeOndra Dixon**, Dancer, Self-Advocate  
**Timothy P. Shriver**, Chairman of Special Olympics  
**Former Congressman Patrick J. Kennedy**  
**Karen Gaffney**, Champion Swimmer, Self-Advocate  
**John C. McGinley**, Award-Winning Actor  
**Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers**  
**Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton**  
**Congressman Pete Sessions**  
**Sujeet Desai**, International Musician, Self-Advocate  
**Jamie Foxx**, Academy Award & Grammy Award Winner  
**Tim Harris**, Business Owner, Self-Advocate  
**Luke Zimmerman**, Actor, Self-Advocate  
**Kyra Phillips**, Award-Winning Journalist  
**Former Senator Tom Harkin**  
**Congressman Chris Van Hollen**  
**Senator Jerry Moran**  
**Beverly Johnson**, Supermodel  
**Brad Hennefer**, Golfer, Self-Advocate  
**Anna and John J. Sie**, Cable TV Pioneers  
**Jamie Brewer**, Actress, Self-Advocate  
**Frank Stephens**, Author, Actor, Self-Advocate

**Eva Longoria**, Award-Winning Actress  
**Madeline Stuart**, Model, Self-Advocate  
**Congressman Tom Cole**  
**Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro**  
**Colin Farrell**, Award-Winning Actor  
**Zack Gottsagen**, Award-Winning Actor, Self-Advocate  
**Former Congresswoman Cheri Bustos**  
**Former Senator Roy Blunt**  
**Amanda Booth**, Supermodel, Actress  
**Megan Bomgaars**, Actress, Self-Advocate  
**Caterina Scorsone**, Award-Winning Actress  
**Marián Ávila**, Model, Self-Advocate  
**Former Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard**  
**Former Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler**  
**John Lynch**, 49ers GM & NFL Hall-of-Famer  
**Bryan Russell Mujica**, Politician, Self-Advocate  
**Senator Steve Daines**  
**Senator John Hickenlooper**  
**Eric Dane**, Award-Winning Actor  
**David Egan**, Author, Self-Advocate

**PAST GLOBAL AMBASSADOR HONOREES**

**Sophia Kay Whitten**  
**Chase Turner Perry**  
**Katherine Winfield**  
**DeOndra Dixon**  
**Samantha Stevens**  
**Alex Sessions**  
**Cole Rodgers**

**Steven Dulcie**  
**Katherine Felicia Norton**  
**Clarissa Capuano**  
**Louis Rotella IV**  
**Marcus Sikora**  
**Frank Stephens**  
**Sam Levin**

**CC Mullen**  
**Charlotte Fonfara-LaRose**  
**Walt Snodgrass**  
**Caroline Cardenas**  
**Archie & Sevy Eicher**  
**Jonah Berger**  
**Micah Quinones**



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Gavin DeGraw's performance arranged through Gotham Artists.