**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.

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| Ambassador: | Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Awardees: | | Special Guests: | |
| **Abby Ashbrook** | **Congresswoman Katherine Clark (D-MA) Congressman Pete Stauber (R-MN)** | | **Congressman Robert Aderholt Congressman Tom Cole** **Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro**  **Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers** | |
| Gala Committee:  **Jan Adams** | **David Egan** | **Matthew Perin** | **Frank Stephens** | **Amy Best Weiss** |
| **Cory Alexander Kevin Brennan** | **Natalie Farr**  **Erin Book Mullen** | **Cliff Riccio Julie Riccio** | **Marissa Watkins** | **Salo Zelermyer** |

2023 Congressional Hosts (In formation): **Congressman Robert Aderholt Congressman Katherine Clark Congressman Tom Cole**

## Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro Senator John Hickenlooper

**Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers**

## Congressman Pete Stauber

2023 Honorary Congressional Committee (In formation):

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| **Congressman Gus Bilirakis Congressman Brendan Boyle Congressman Buddy Carter Congressman David Cicilline Congresswoman Yvette Clarke Congressman Emanuel Cleaver Congressman Lou Correa Congressman Jason Crow Senator Ted Cruz Congresswoman Suzan DelBene Congresswoman Virginia Foxx**  **Congresswoman Lois Frankel Congressman Robert Garcia** | **Congressman Andrew Garbarino 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 Congresswoman Jill Tokuda 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 **Eva Longoria**, Award-Winning Actress

**DeOndra Dixon**, Dancer, Self-Advocate **Madeline Stuart**, Model, Self-Advocate

**Timothy P. Shriver**, Chairman of Special Olympics **Congressman Tom Cole Former Congressman Patrick J. Kennedy Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro**

**Karen Gaffney**, Champion Swimmer, Self-Advocate **Colin Farrell**, Award-Winning Actor

**John C. McGinley**, Award-Winning Actor **Zack Gottsagen**, Award-Winning Actor, Self-Advocate

**Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers Former Congresswoman Cheri Bustos**

**Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton Former Senator Roy Blunt**

**Congressman Pete Sessions Amanda Booth**, Supermodel, Actress **Sujeet Desai**, International Musician, Self-Advocate **Megan Bomgaars**, Actress, Self-Advocate **Jamie Foxx**, Academy Award & Grammy Award Winner **Caterina Scorsone**, Award-Winning Actress **Tim Harris**, Business Owner, Self-Advocate **Marián Ávila**, Model, Self-Advocate

**Luke Zimmerman**, Actor, Self-Advocate **Former Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard**

**Kyra Phillips**, Award-Winning Journalist **Former Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler**

**Former Senator Tom Harkin John Lynch**, 49ers GM & NFL Hall-of-Famer

**Congressman Chris Van Hollen Bryan Russell Mujica**, Politician, Self-Advocate

**Senator Jerry Moran Senator Steve Daines**

**Beverly Johnson**, Supermodel **Senator John Hickenlooper**

**Brad Hennefer**, Golfer, Self-Advocate **Eric Dane,** Award-Winning Actor

**Anna and John J. Sie**, Cable TV Pioneers **David Egan,** Author, Self-Advocate

**Jamie Brewer,** Actress, Self-Advocate

**Frank Stephens**, Author, Actor, 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**



