



A fundraiser for the
GLOBAL DOWN SYNDROME FOUNDATION
funding life-changing research and life-saving medical care for children and adults with Down syndrome

Thursday, May 9, 2024 • Marriott Marquis Washington, DC
6:00PM Cocktail Reception | 7:00PM Performance & Program

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 \$258 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:
Isla Eager

Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Awardees:
TBD (R)
TBD (D)

Invited Special Guests
Congressman Tom Cole
Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro
Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers

Gala Committee:

Jan Adams
Cory Alexander
John Ashbrook

Kevin Brennan
Emilie Eager
David Egan

Natalie Farr Harrison
Erin Book Mullen
Matthew Perin

Cliff Riccio
Julie Riccio
Frank Stephens

Amy Best Weiss
Salo Zelsermyer

2023 Congressional Hosts:

Congressman Robert Aderholt
Congressman Katherine Clark
Congressman Tom Cole
Senator Steve Daines

Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro
Senator John Hickenlooper
Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers

Senator Jerry Moran
Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton
Congressman Pete Sessions
Congressman Pete Stauber

2023 Honorary Congressional Committee:

Congressman Don Bacon
Congressman Andy Barr
Congressman Gus Bilirakis
Congressman Brendan Boyle
Congressman Buddy Carter
Senator Bob Casey
Congressman David Cicilline
Congresswoman Judy Chu
Congresswoman Yvette Clarke
Congressman Emanuel Cleaver
Congressman Lou Correa
Congressman Jason Crow
Senator Ted Cruz
Congresswoman Diana DeGette
Congresswoman Suzan DelBene
Congresswoman Virginia Foxx
Congresswoman Lois Frankel
Congressman Andrew Garbarino

Congressman Robert Garcia
Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia
Congressman Wesley Hunt
Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee
Senator John Kennedy
Congresswoman Jen Kiggans
Congressman Derek Kilmer
Senator Amy Klobuchar
Congressman Darin LaHood
Congressman Doug Lamborn
Congressman Rick Larsen
Congressman Bob Latta
Senator Cynthia Lummis
Senator Joe Manchin
Senator Edward Markey
Congressman Brian Mast
Congresswoman Lucy McBath

Congressman Michael McCaul
Congressman Pat McHenry
Congressman Rob Menendez
Congresswoman Carol Miller
Senator Chris Murphy
Congressman Gregory F. Murphy, M.D.
Congressman Chris Pappas
Congresswoman Brittany Pettersen
Congressman Dean Phillips
Senator Marco Rubio
Congressman Steve Scalise
Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon
Congresswoman Abigail Spanberger
Congresswoman Haley Stevens
Congresswoman Jill Tokuda
Senator Chris Van Hollen
Senator Roger F. Wicker

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Musical Entertainment & Special Guests:
Announcement Coming Soon!

Emcees:

Kyra Phillips, Correspondent, ABC News; Anchor, ABC News Live
John Roberts, Co-Anchor of 'America Reports with John Roberts & Sandra Smith,' Fox News

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
Former Senator Tom Harkin
Congressman Pete Sessions
John C. McGinley, Award-Winning Actor
Sujeet Desai, International Musician, Self-Advocate
Jamie Foxx, Academy Award & Grammy Award Winner
Luke Zimmerman, Actor, Self-Advocate
Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Congressman Chris Van Hollen
Kyra Phillips, Award-Winning Journalist
Tim Harris, Business Owner, Self-Advocate
Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton
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 Senator Roy Blunt
Former Congresswoman Cheri Bustos
Amanda Booth, Supermodel, Actress
Megan Bomgaars, Actress, Self-Advocate
Former Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler
Former Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard
Caterina Scorsone, Award-Winning Actress
Marián Ávila, Model, Self-Advocate
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
Congresswoman Katherine Clark
Congressman Pete Stauber
Bobby Farrelly, Acclaimed Film Director, Screenwriter, Producer
Madison Tevlin, Actress, 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
Abby Ashbrook
Grace Brennan



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Gavin DeGraw's performance arranged through Gotham Artists.