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: Quincy Jones
Exceptional Advocacy Awardees: Isla Eager
Invited Special Guests: TBD (R)
Lois Frankel (D)

Gala Chairs: Gala Committee:
Julie Riccio Jan Adams Kevin Brennan Natalie Farr Cliff Riccio
Amy Best Weiss Cory Alexander Emilie Eager Erin Book Mullen Frank Stephens
John Ashbrook David Egan Matthew Perin Salo Zelermyer

2024 Congressional Hosts:
Congressman Robert Aderholt
Senator Bob Casey
Congresswoman Katherine Clark
Congressman Tom Cole
Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro
Senator Jerry Moran
Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Congressman Pete Sessions
Congressman Pete Stauber

2024 Honorary Congressional Committee:
Congressman Don Bacon
Congressman Troy Balderson
Congresswoman Nanette Barragán
Congresswoman Stephanie Bice
Congresswoman Gus Bilirakis
Senator Marsha Blackburn
Congresswoman Lisa Blunt Rochester
Senator Sherrod Brown
Congresswoman Shontel Brown
Congresswoman Julia Brownley
Congressman Larry Bucshon
Senator Shelley Capito
Senator Ben Cardin
Congressman Buddy Carter
Congresswoman Lori Chavez-DeRemer
Congressman Emanuel Cleaver
Congressman James Clyburn
Congressman Gerry Connolly
Congressman Jason Crow
Congresswoman Diana DeGette
Congresswoman Jennifer Gonzalez-Colon
Congressman Mark DeSaulnier
Congresswoman Debbie Dingell

Congresswoman Neal Dunn
Congresswoman Lois Frankel
Congresswoman Virginia Foxx
Congressman John Garamendi
Congressman Andrew Garbarino
Congressman Robert Garcia
Congresswoman Sylvia Garcia
Congressman Brett Guthrie
Congressman John Joyce
Congresswoman Jen Kiggans
Congresswoman Amy Klobuchar
Congresswoman Young Kim
Congresswoman Susie Lee
Congressman Mike Levin
Congressman Thomas Pappas
Senator Ed Markey
Congresswoman Doris Matsui
Congresswoman Mariannette Miller-Meeks
Congressman Jared Moskowitz
Senator Markwayne Mullin
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Senator Lisa Murkowski

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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 Felicia Norton
Katherine Winfield
DeOndra Dixon
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