

"We want our girls to think about life down the road and what it is they want to do and how it is they want to be in the world. When a girl has confidence, everything is possible. Everything. And we can't even dream how big that possibility is for a girl. And that's the way it should be. For all of us." ANN BANCROFT

WELCOME WINTER GARDEN

Registration & Coat Check Photo Station

RECEPTION GREAT HALL

Cocktails & Passed Hors d'oeuvres Savory Food Stations

- Tacos | Poke Bowls | BBQ | Cheese & Crudité
- (V, DF & GF options available)

Silent Auction

Wine Pull

Two Live Illustrators

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PROGRAM PAVILION

TAIKOArts Midwest

Welcome - Ethelind B. Kaba, ABF Executive Director

Inspiration - Ann Bancroft, ABF Founder

Impact Award Presented to Gloria Perez

Grantee Parent & Mentor Story - Paulette Bonneur

Live Auction - Glen Fladeboe & Laura Fingerson

Edina Bel Canto Choir

Trailblazer Video - Isabelle Ekstrom

Fund-a-Dream

Gratitude - Pahoua Yang Hoffman & Jamie Millard, Event Co-Chairs

CHECK OUT WINTER GARDEN

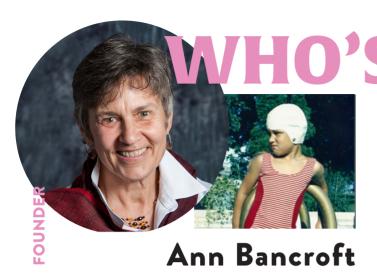
Check out on your phone or at Item Pick Up to collect Wine Pull and Auction Items won

SAY GOODNIGHT









Ann's first expedition was in the backyard orchard during a subzero Minnesota winter at the age of eight. Many adventures later, further from home, she actualized her girlhood dreams of reaching the ends of the earth. Ann's Polar exploits created opportunities off the ice caps as well. In 2016, President Obama invited her to address scientists and educators from 25 nations to amplify a message of collaboration and partnership to the challenges climate change. Ann received the Alexandrian Medal from St Catherine University; was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame; named Ms. Magazine's "Woman of the Year" and is honored in the Minnesota Historical Society's permanent exhibit, "MN-150" honoring 150 people, places and things that have shaped Minnesota, along with gear from Ann's historic expeditions.

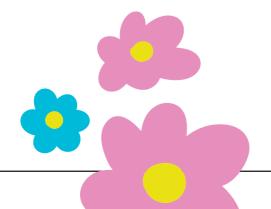


Ethelind B. Kaba

Ethelind is passionate about many things and wears many hats with one purpose: to spark in others the same curiosity about advancing equity, potential, and dignity that motivates her work and life. As the Executive Director of the Ann Bancroft Foundation, she champions its vision—a world in which all who identify as a girl have a chance to live their dream and reach their full potential. Ethelind also previously founded The Stargirl Initiative, a nonprofit dedicated to empowering teen and tween girls, for which she was named a Changemaker by MN Women's Press. Ethelind offers her experience and talents to several organizations, including, a board member at The Jeremiah Program and as a member of the Board of Regents at Augsburg University.

WHAT WAS A DREAM YOU HAD FOR YOUR LIFE AS A LITTLE GIRL?

"I had so many dreams as a young girl. I always wanted to go where no one had ever been."



"I had weirdly amazing dreams for myself as a child."

"There was the me that wanted to be an astronaut, the me that wanted to open modeling agencies all across Africa, the 10-year-old me that told my mother I wanted to be Ghana's ambassador to the US, live on an island with robots, never have children or get married, and that I'd be a human rights lawyer for the UN, overseeing children's rights. One day, I'd run the Organization of African Unity, an intergovernmental organization (similar to the UN but for African countries). That was a dream for a very long time. Crazy thing is, even with our humble beginnings, my family always dreamed bigger for me. They wouldn't have been surprised if I was in fact running the OAU."



Glen Fladeboe

Glen Fladeboe, Auctioneer: Glen Fladeboe (Principal Partner and Auctioneer) of Fladeboe Advancement attended the World Wide College of Auctioneering in Mason City, Iowa immediately after graduating high school and has been part of the Fladeboe family business ever since. With over 25 years of experience as a professional auctioneer and fundraiser, he has been instrumental in building Fladeboe Advancement into a premier benefit auction and fundraising strategy consulting company. He credits the success of the business to his exceptional staff, time spent consulting with and getting to know clients, and a company philosophy that says, "if you focus on the mission of the organization, people will be inspired and support the cause."

Glen holds a degree in communications from Hamline University and lives with his wife Stephanie, two daughters, and dog in Minneapolis, Minnesota. In his free time, he enjoys marathon running, hunting, driving tractor, and spending time at his cabin on the south shore of Lake Superior.

WHAT WAS A DREAM YOU HAD FOR YOUR LIFE AS A LITTLE BOY?

"When I was a little boy I wanted to be a farmer."



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IMPACT AWARD

TONIGHT WE PRESENT THE ANN BANCROFT FOUNDATION IMPACT AWARD, CREATED TO RECOGNIZE SOMEONE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO HAS ADVANCED THE MISSION OF ABF IN STRONG AND IMPACTFUL WAYS.



WE ARE DELIGHTED TO PRESENT THE 2023 AWARD TO GLORIA PEREZ, PRESIDENT & CEO OF THE WOMEN'S FOUNDATION OF MINNESOTA. GLORIA RECEIVES THIS AWARD FOR COURAGEOUSLY PAVING THE WAY AND CHAMPIONING THE VALUES OF WOMEN AND GIRLS.

Gloria Perez is President and CEO of the Women's Foundation of Minnesota, the first statewide women's foundation in the country. Prior to joining the foundation, Gloria was the President & CEO of Jeremiah Program, a national nonprofit whose proven, holistic approach transforms families from poverty to prosperity, two generations at a time. Gloria is an Ascend Fellow at the Aspen Institute where she has been recognized as one of the country's leading experts in two-generation strategies to reduce poverty. She has more than 25 years' experience across sectors, ranging from small business, for-profit corporations to nonprofit human service organizations. Gloria serves on the board of directors for the Ciresi Walburn Foundation, Esperanza United, Macalester College, and the Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundation.

WHAT WAS A DREAM YOU HAD FOR YOUR LIFE AS A LITTLE GIRL?

"As a little girl, I loved to daydream about what life would be like as an adult."

"I dreamt I would be doing meaningful work (my dad was a social worker and I thought he was famous). I wanted to be just like him, loved and appreciated, and I wanted to travel!"

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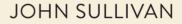




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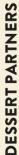
















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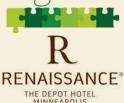
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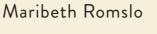




















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Thank you for joining us tonight to imagine something bigger and celebrate girls daring to believe in themselves. SEE YOU NEXT IN APRIL OF 2024!



