



INTRODUCING THE HOPES & DREAMS GALA

HONORARY CO-CHAIRS, KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND HONORARY CHEF

Honorary Co-Chair



**The Honorable
Deval Patrick**

The Honorable Deval Patrick was originally from the South Side of Chicago, coming to Massachusetts at 14, when he was awarded a scholarship to Milton Academy through the Boston-based organization A Better Chance. After Harvard College and Harvard Law School, he clerked for a federal appellate judge and then launched a career as an attorney and business executive, becoming partner at two Boston law firms and a senior executive at Texaco and Coca-Cola.

In 1994, President Clinton appointed him to the nation's top civil rights post, Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights. In 2006, in his first bid for public office, he became Massachusetts' first African-American governor. In his two terms as Governor, he oversaw the expansion of affordable health care to more than 98 percent of state residents, launched initiatives stimulating clean energy and biotechnology, won a national Race to the Top grant, and steered the state out of recession to a 25-year high in employment.

Former Governor Patrick currently serves as a Managing Director of Bain Capital Double Impact, where he focuses on investments that deliver both a competitive financial return and significant positive social impact. He is a Rockefeller Fellow, a Crown Fellow of the Aspen Institute, and the author of two books, *A Reason to Believe: Lessons from an Improbable Life* and *Faith in the Dream: A Call to the Nation to Reclaim American Values*.

Honorary Co-Chair



Diane B. Patrick

Diane Patrick is a Senior Counsel at Ropes & Gray LLP, having retired from the firm at the end of 2016 after practicing for over 30 years in the labor and employment area. She has a record of distinguished professional and public service. A lawyer, teacher, mother and active member of her community, Diane has extensive experience in many walks of life.

Diane was born in Brooklyn and attended New York City public schools from 1st grade through college. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in early childhood education in 1972, graduating with honors from Queens College of the City University of New York. After graduation, Diane spent five years teaching elementary school in New York City before attending Loyola Law School in Los Angeles. She received her Juris Doctor in 1980, and since then, has practiced law in Los Angeles, New York, Washington, D.C., and finally, Boston. She worked for a time as University Attorney in Harvard's Office of General Counsel, where she spent six years before becoming Harvard's Director/Associate Vice President for Human Resources. She joined Ropes & Gray in 1995, and became a partner in 1998. As a partner, she has been able to combine her passion for education and her background in labor and employment law.

Throughout her life and professional career, Diane Patrick has dedicated herself to various communities, and has served on the Boards of the United Way of Massachusetts Bay, Jane Doe, Inc., and Brigham and Women's Hospital, among others. Currently, she serves on the Board of Massachusetts General Hospital, The Posse Foundation, The Epiphany School, and United Way. Ms. Patrick has also been an outspoken advocate in the Commonwealth's ongoing effort to end domestic violence, and has been actively engaged with families, agencies and law enforcement to support victims and to identify and address the root causes of domestic abuse. Diane has been married to former Governor Deval Patrick for over three decades and has two daughters, Sarah and Katherine, and one grandson, Gianluca.

Keynote Speaker



**The Honorable
Patrick J. Kennedy**

The Honorable Patrick J. Kennedy is a former member of the U.S. House of Representatives and the nation's leading political voice on mental illness, addiction, and other brain diseases. During his 16-year career representing Rhode Island in Congress, he fought a national battle to end medical and societal discrimination against these illnesses, highlighted by his lead sponsorship of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008--and his brave openness about his own health challenges.

The son of Senator Edward "Ted" Kennedy, he decided to leave Congress not long after his father's death to devote his career to advocacy for brain diseases and to create a new, healthier life and start a family. He has since founded the Kennedy Forum, which unites the community of mental health, and cofounded One Mind for Research, a global leader in open science collaboration in brain research. Kennedy is also the co-author of *A Common Struggle*, which outlines both his personal story and a bold plan for the future of mental health in America.

Patrick lives in New Jersey with his wife, Amy, and their four children.

Honorary Chef



Chef Jeremy Sewall

Jeremy Sewall was born in upstate New York, but he's had the heart of a true New Englander since childhood summers spent in Maine with his family. Jeremy began his professional career in Maine at the Relais & Chateau White Barn Inn before heading to Europe, working for Albert Roux in London and Amsterdam then returning to Boston and a position at L'Espalier. From there, Jeremy moved to the Lark Creek Inn in Larkspur, California, becoming Executive Chef. In 2000, Jeremy was one of five chefs in the country nominated as a Rising Star Chef by the James Beard Foundation.

In February 2006, Jeremy and his wife Lisa, a former pastry chef at L'Espalier, opened Lineage. The restaurant has been recognized by many publications over the years including *Bon Appetit*, *Food & Wine*, and *Boston Magazine*. In 2009, Jeremy's friendship with Eastern Standard Kitchen & Drinks owner Garrett Harker led to a stint as Collaborating Chef. In 2010, they teamed up with Skip Bennett, the founder of Island Creek Oysters, to bring the Island Creek Oyster Bar to Boston. In the fall of 2013, the trio opened their second restaurant, Row 34, an approachable and convivial neighborhood-focused restaurant and bar. In 2015, the Row 34 team opened a second location at 5 Portwalk Place in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

In the fall of 2014, Jeremy released his first cookbook, James Beard Award nominated *The New England Kitchen: Fresh Takes on Seasonal Recipes*, with co-author Erin Byers Murray. In 2016, Jeremy co-authored a second book, *Oysters: A Celebration in the Raw*, with Marion Swaybill. Also in 2016, Jeremy and his partners opened a second Island Creek Oyster Bar in Burlington, MA. A new restaurant concept in Harvard Square, Cambridge is set to open in 2017.

