

[IAVA To Hold 10th Anniversary Heroes Gala at Cipriani 42nd Street](#)



WHAT: Tonight, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA) will hold IAVA's Annual Heroes Gala Celebrating Our 10th Anniversary at Cipriani 42nd Street in New York City. Taking place for the eighth year in a row, and when U.S. troops are still at war, this year's Heroes Gala will honor those who have made a unique and lasting contribution to IAVA's mission to improve the lives of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans and their families.

WHO: IAVA will honor Admiral Mike Mullen, 17th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with the IAVA Veteran Leadership Award, and Uber CEO and co-founder Travis Kalanick with the IAVA Civilian Service Award. Willie Geist, co-anchor of NBC's "TODAY" show and MSNBC's "Morning Joe" will host the event.

Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Robert McDonald will also be speaking at the event. Kandace Springs, singer, songwriter and pianist from Nashville, Tenn., will be the musical performer.

Veterans and supporters will attend, as will representatives from leading sponsors Victory Motorcycles and Joan Ganz Cooney (Hero Sponsors); TriWest Healthcare, Turner Broadcasting, and USAA (Dinner Sponsors); Robert Cohn, Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation, HBO, JPMorgan Chase, Miller High Life, Uber, Western Asset Management, Wheels Up, and WME/IMG (Support Sponsors). Special thanks to Southwest Airlines, IAVA's official airline partner.

New York City Commissioner of Veterans Affairs Loree Sutton, Lone Survivor director Peter Berg, actress Michelle Monaghan, New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, Ms. New York America 2013 Michele McDonald and more will also be in attendance.

WHEN: Thursday, November 13, 2014 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Press check-in: 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. (Cipriani 42nd Street)

Sponsor Reception 5:30 – 6:30pm (Cipriani 42nd Street)

Cocktail Reception 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. (Cipriani 42nd Street)

Dinner & Award Presentation: 7:30 – 9:30pm (Cipriani 42nd Street)

WHERE: Cipriani 42nd Street, 110 E. 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017

For more information, visit www.iava.org/heroessgala. Livestream the gala at <http://new.livestream.com/newvets>

Note to media: A mult box will be provided at the venue. Please RSVP by emailing press@iava.org if you would like to cover the Gala.