



## **DOING ART TOGETHER HONORS DARRYL “DMC” MCDANIELS AND ERIN S. GORE**

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Doing Art Together Holds 29th Annual Benefit in New York City on Monday, March 24, 2014

New York, NY (March 11, 2014) – The 29th Annual Doing Art Together Benefit – emceed by NBC’s Weekend TODAY news anchor and TODAY correspondent Jenna Wolfe, along with special guest, New York’s First Lady Chirlane McCray – will take place in New York City on March 24th, 2014 at the Mandarin Oriental. This year’s honorees are Grammy nominated artist Darryl McDaniels of iconic group, Run-DMC, along with Erin S. Gore who is Co-Head of Wells Fargo’s National Education and Nonprofit Commercial Banking team. A non-profit arts education organization, Doing Art Together has done incredible life-changing work providing hands-on programs to under-served communities, since founded in 1982.

Darryl “DMC” McDaniels is thrilled to be a part of the benefit saying, “It’s a privilege to be honored at this year’s Doing Art Together Gala but I don’t want to make this about me. This is all about DAT. I’m just representing all the incredible young people who deserve to be celebrated and honored for their great works and achievements.” The gala’s next honoree, Erin S. Gore, has been involved with DAT since 1997 and explains the importance of the organization, “The impact Doing Art Together has on children’s creative confidence and critical thinking skills is huge. Making art brings the world to a more engaged, creative place.”

The evening will include entertainment by cabaret singer Tom Postilio, an art exhibition and silent auction. The auction items include a private shopping experience with Cynthia Rowley, Broadway tickets, Jeff Koons Dom Perignon bottles, get-a-ways to upstate NY and Martha’s Vineyard, the Ultimate Silver Oak experience, a special NY Yankees package and more.

The mission of Doing Art Together (DAT) is to awaken and enrich the intellectual, social, and cultural development of under-resourced New York City children and youth, inspiring them to pursue their learning. They accomplish this by engaging youth in the visual arts, igniting the participation of their family network and building enduring partnerships with their educational community. DAT is a non-profit arts education organization that provides hands-on programs to under-served audiences, and their programs build skills that enhance the ability to learn and are easily transferred from the classroom to life. For more information, please visit <http://www.doingarttogether.org/>.

Darryl “DMC” McDaniels is a legendary music icon who first impacted the world over 25 years ago. From the first rap group to grace the cover of Rolling Stone to the first to appear on MTV, Grammy

nominated Run-DMC changed music, culture, fashion, language and made American history. 30 million record sales later, and more than ten years after the untimely death of his bandmate Jam Master Jay, DMC still continues to create, inspire and motivate and as a member of Run-DMC, was inducted into the 2009 Rock n Roll Hall of Fame. He is a published author and speaker, and the co-founder of the Felix Organization, a nonprofit that works with adoptees and foster children. Darryl recently launched a comic book company called Darryl Makes Comics, a new journey that will bridge the gap between the worlds of hip-hop and the fantastic adventures he got wrapped up in as a youth. [www.me-dmc.com](http://www.me-dmc.com).

Erin S. Gore has been on the Doing Art Together board since 2006. Passionate about the arts and providing people with tools to live their best life, her work with DAT has helped to expand children's critical thinking skills while also providing them life skills for success. Erin was chosen by the San Francisco Business Times last year for the "40 Under 40" Bay Area leaders list, and previously been U.C. Berkeley's CFO. Gore joined the former Banc of America Securities in 2001, rising to co-head and managing director of its public finance education and nonprofit team. Erin joined Wells Fargo in the Fall of 2013 to Co-Head their National Education and Nonprofit Commercial Banking team in Wells Fargo Government & Institutional Banking.