

InterPride

Global Gala

Report

**Report subject to change.*

Saturday, April 29, 2023

AVALON Hollywood Bardot & Lounge



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Gala Schedule

Time	Activity	Location
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Entertainment by DJ Nica Ricci & Mortasay	Pride Lounge in the Bardot
5:00 PM	Ruby Level Tickets Enter for Dinner Seating	Main Ballroom
5:30 PM	General Admission Tickets Enter for Dinner Seating	Main Ballroom
6:00 PM	Seat for Dinner	Main Ballroom
6:43 PM	Program Begins	Main Ballroom
6:48 PM	Land Acknowledgement	Main Ballroom
	Host Introduction	Main Ballroom
	Co-President Statement	Main Ballroom
	InterPride Champion Award Presented	Main Ballroom
	InterPride Ally Award Presented	Main Ballroom
	Solidarity & Humanitarian Aid Fund	Main Ballroom
	Jai Rodriguez & Coco Montrese	Main Ballroom
	Coco Montrese Performance	Main Ballroom
	InterPride Trailblazer Award Presented	Main Ballroom
	InterPride Spotlight Award Presented	Main Ballroom
	Jai Rodriguez	Main Ballroom
	Deborah Cox Performance	Main Ballroom
8:15 PM	After-Party in Bardot	Bardot Lounge
10:00 PM	Gala Ends	



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Letter from the Co-Presidents

Dear Gala Delegates, Sponsors, Honorees, Champions, and Members,

We are honored to write to you on behalf of InterPride, as the Co-presidents of our esteemed organization. It is with great pleasure that we host this 1st Global Gala to celebrate 40 years of advancing the global Pride movement.

Our organization has expanded to become one of the premier worldwide coalitions of Pride organizers. One of our most prominent brands, WorldPride, brings millions of people worldwide every two years to celebrate, be politically active, and make a statement about the power of our expanding movement.

Our non-profit organization has been serving the global LGBTQIA+ community for many years, intending to make a positive impact, focusing on the global South and East, where being queer can be punishable by and up to death.



Natalie Thompson (she/her/hers)
Co-President

Scholarships, honorariums, education, and programming offered throughout the year are all part of our effort to help marginalized individuals have a stronger voice and contribute to the worldwide Pride movement. Every day, people worldwide celebrate Pride, and we stand at the center of the most promising opportunities for uplifting this movement.

InterPride's 1st ever Global Gala is one of our most important fundraising events ever created, and we rely on the generosity of our donors and supporters to help us continue our vital work. We have lined up talented performers and speakers for the event who will share their stories and experiences to inspire and motivate us all.

Your support is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to sharing this special evening with you.

We hope you enjoy an evening of solidarity with InterPride!



Hadi Damien (he/him/his)
Co-President

Message From InterPride's Founder, Marsha H. Levine

Forty years ago, I had a nugget of an idea that I never knew would grow. The plan was simple ... invite about 50 LGBTQI+ Pride or Pride-related organizations to join me (Boston Pride) in a historic Beacon Hill home converted to a community center to discuss commonalities. Of those who replied were six cities: Boston, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco, represented by 16 people. Twelve of them slept pajama-party style on the floor of my brownstone studio in Boston's South End. I prepared and provided all the breakfasts and lunches... some of us dined out together for dinner. I recall the weather was, disappointingly, typically autumn-ish gray and rainy instead of

beautifully New England Indian summerly.

We met for three days and agreed as we wrapped things up that the conversation was healthy and inspiring, determining to meet the next year in San Diego. I never imagined it continuing until this day — or that it would be so inclusive, connecting the whole world — my ideas had been just simple and immediate: share the information, mentor as we go.

It is still a little surreal to take in, and makes me immensely proud to call many who attend InterPride, my friends.

– Marsha H. Levine



Photo Credit: Marsha H. Levine, Fort Lauderdale, FL, InterPride Conference, 1984

InterPride's History

In October of 1982, 15 representatives from six United States Pride organizations answered a “call to unite” sent out by Marsha H. Levine. They gathered to network in Boston at the first meeting of what Levine had called the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Pride Coordinators. Among those present were Levine representing Boston Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee; Rich Pfeiffer* of Pride Chicago; David Colle*, Tony Gambino*, Fred Goldfaber*, Janet Love, R. Paul Martin, and Brian O'Dell of Christopher Street Liberation Day Committee/ NYC; Sean Johnson*, George Piazzzi, Cheryl Ruddy*, and Sharon Tobin from Christopher Street West/LA; Doug Moore of San Diego Lambda Pride; and Konstantin Berlandt* and Glenne McElhinney from the San Francisco Freedom Day Committee. At the end of the weekend, all agreed to continue to meet every year, and since then, the number of Pride organizations had steadily grown.

(* = deceased)

As the movement built

for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex (LGBTQI+) equal rights grew, Pride events became more prominent. The need for a more global organization was getting stronger. Pride took place in many continents, so the organization was renamed the International Association of Lesbian and Gay Pride Coordinators.

With the participation of more delegates came greater diversity. At the 1998 West Hollywood, California Conference, they voted to add bisexual and transgender to the association's name, International Association of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Coordinators.

At the 1984 Conference, delegates started the ongoing tradition of selecting an annual theme. Members voted for a theme and were then encouraged to include it within their Pride organizations.

By the late 1980s, delegates from Canada, Mexico, and the United Kingdom were participating. Continued

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InterPride's History

outreach made the organization truly global. In 1997, delegates representing 73 Pride organizations from 18 countries attended the annual conference in New York City. This was when the WorldPride title was created, and it was awarded to Rome, Italy, for 2000.

The 1999 Glasgow Conference in Scotland was a true milestone. It was the first conference held outside the North American continent. The organization revisited its name and shortened it to InterPride, therefore consolidating its global impact.

Our Work & Programs

- Human Rights
- WorldPride
- Conference
- Podcast
- PrideRadar
- Pride365
- Grants
- Solidarity Fund
- Humanitarian Aid Fund
- Scholarships

Human Rights

Racial justice issues are fundamental to InterPride. Our work aims to reflect this commitment.

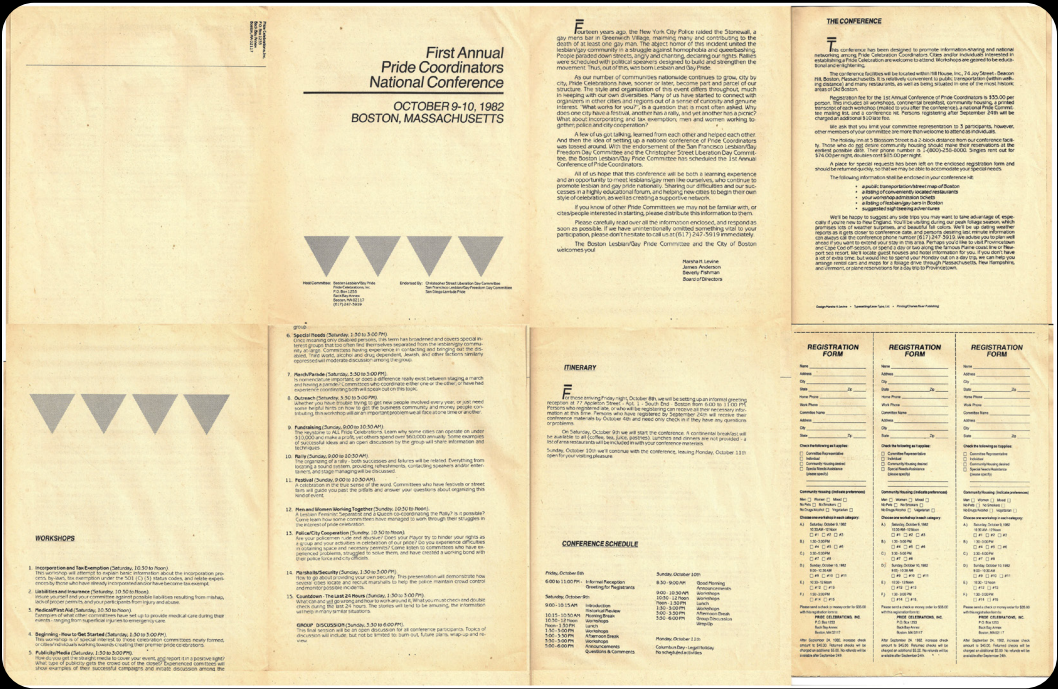
Learn more at interpride.org/roap

InterPride Grant Programs

The **Solidarity Fund** provides grants to LGBTQIA+ Pride or Pride-like organizations around the world for community-based Pride events, with a focus on Global South and Eastern Europe.

The **Humanitarian Aid Fund** provides grants for essential needs, combating racism, and facility development to LGBTQIA+ Pride or Pride-like organizations around the world.

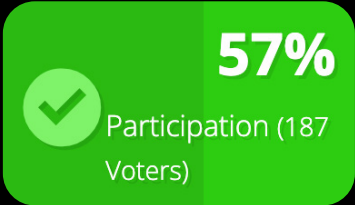
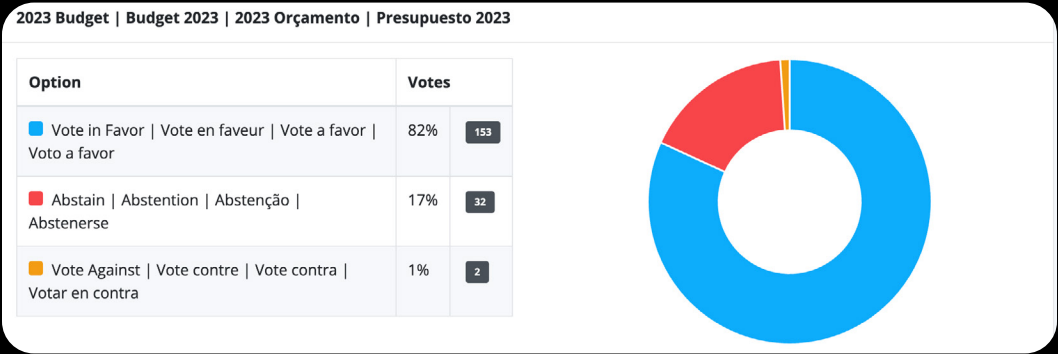
The **Pam O'Brian Memorial Scholarship Fund** provides grants to representatives of InterPride Full Member organizations to enable them to attend the InterPride Annual General Meeting & World Conference (GM&WC).
Learn more at interpride.org/grants



2023 Member Approved Budget

Membership voted to approve the 2023 budget that included the Gala. InterPride sent the ballot via Election Runner on October 29, 2022 and closed on November 2, 2022. Membership approved the budget by 82% in favor with 57% participation.

[Click Here to see the 2023 membership approved budget.](#)



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Participating InterPride Member's

- Capitol Pride | Ryan Bos, Ashley Smith
- Natalie Thompson
- LA Pride
- Henderson Equality Center | Chris Davin
- Amsterdam Pride | Lucien Spee
- Pride by the Beach | Roxanne Deatherage
- Riverside Pride | David Giron
- Motor City Pride | Dave Wait
- Boston Pride | Linda DeMarco

Gala Successes

Our in-person audience of 350 guests included brands, donors, organizations and entertainment industry leaders. A majority of them had not previously heard of InterPride or our work with member organizations, WorldPride, AGM, podcast or global funding.

We honored visionaries whose work has shown up in accountability, activism, gender equality, and other aspects of our mission. Through theirs and our stories, and the solidly curated script, the professional production, we were able to engage more supporters. They saw a professional organization whose work has made a global impact for 40 years.

We far exceed advertising and marketing goals to elevate InterPride's brand. Because the evening was impeccably produced by JJLA, the experience itself left guests with a positive vibe about InterPride. Lucky Break PR elevated the press and media. [Click this Gala Coverage Book link](#) for detailed impressions and coverage.

We now have access to a wider list of contacts, sponsors, brands and individual donors, as well as videos and marketing tools for future outreach.

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Gala Reach

2.86M

Estimated Views

Prediction of lifetime views of coverage, based on audience reach & engagement rate on social



4.02B

Audience

Combined total of publication-wide audience figures for all outlets featuring coverage



302

Engagements

Combined total of likes, comments and shares on social media platforms



62

Avg. Domain Authority

A 0-100 measure of the authority of the site coverage appears on. Provided by Moz



266K

UVM

UVM



121K

Est. Social Views



213

Social Shares

Gala Goals

- Celebrate 40 years of achievements
- Honor visionaries who align with our mission statement
- Elevate our brand
- Elevate our marketing and PR communications
- Tell our story to a new audience of activists
- Getting outreach from different media brands who want to talk about our work
- Fundraising

Gala Takeaways

As we celebrated our 40th anniversary, we realized how important it was to find ways to fill our environments with happiness and goodwill. We also saw the importance of becoming more visible and outspoken for our global members and the broader LGBTQIA+ community.

There were a lot of people in attendance who heard about our organization for the first time. They

were curious and eager to participate further. We have an opening to raise awareness and funding for our efforts.

In retrospect, the Gala evening was a fantastic way to commemorate our heritage, showcase our work, and share our experiences with a global audience. We are considering arranging future global festivities of this nature on particular anniversaries and important milestones.



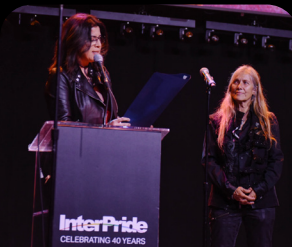
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InterPride Proclamation

City West Hollywood Mayor Sepi Shyne Presented The Proclamation During the Gala



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Proclamation

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WHEREAS, InterPride was created to be a voice for the LGBTQIA+ community focused on advancing the Pride movement on a global scale by uniting people from all walks of life to celebrate diversity and inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Pride Coordinators was established and over time grew to include Pride organizers around the world, becoming InterPride in 1999; and

WHEREAS, as an international organization, InterPride's growth has been matched by the increasing diversity of membership consisting of a global network with more than 375 Pride organizations in over 70 countries throughout the globe; and

WHEREAS, through coordinated outreach, InterPride works with and supports the visibility and development of Pride networks around the world and gathers regional Pride platforms dedicated to producing Pride events for diverse global SOGIESC (Sexual Orientations, Gender Identities and Expressions, and Sex Characteristics) communities to learn and grow with each other; and

WHEREAS, on this night of elegance and celebration at InterPride's 40th Anniversary Gala, the City joins the organization and its members in celebrating InterPride's dedication to increasing visibility and awareness, and advancing LGBTQIA+ rights and equality:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of West Hollywood hereby recognizes InterPride on the memorable occasion of its 40th anniversary and honors the organization's commitment to achieve legal, social, and cultural equity for the LGBTQIA+ and SOGIESC communities through the Pride movement.

Resolved this 29th day of April, 2023

Sepi Shyne
Mayor

John M. Erickson
Mayor Pro Tempore

Lauren Meister
Councilmember

John Heilman
Councilmember

Chelsea Byers
Councilmember

Gala Public Relations Report

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.



Disclaimer

Lucky Break PR utilizes a variety of digital PR tools to provide clients with accurate metrics and data around earned media coverage. To obtain this data, we employ industry standard tools such as Coveragebook, Muck Rack, TVEyes, and Similar Web. These tools allow us to calculate the specific stats for earned media including audience size and advertising value equivalency of our coverage.

The PR reporting tool, Coverage Book, collects data from digital, broadcast, and print coverage in an easy-to-read format for clients. The data and metrics pulled from Coverage book are obtained from Similar Web, a tool that

provides website analytics, digital traffic insights, and website performance.

TVEyes is a software that allows us to collect broadcast segments and provides viewership and publicity value data. The publicity value is reported in 30 second increments, we then multiply the publicity value by the segment's length in minutes.

Muckrack is a software that provides brand measurement and insight into earned media performance. The online tool offers the industry standard equation to calculate the advertising value equivalency (AVE) or the advertising rate for a similar ad on a respective platform.

The InterPride logo, featuring the word "InterPride" in a white, bold, sans-serif font. A multi-colored rainbow arc curves over the text, starting from the left and ending on the right.

Gala Public Relations Report Project Overview

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

This comprehensive recap report serves as an overview of Lucky Break PR's (LBPR) efforts for the 2023 InterPride Inaugural Global Gala (IPGG).

InterPride enlisted LBPR to conduct the following:

- Generate earned media opportunities to drive ticket sales for the IPGG
- Create pre-event buzz through media opportunities featuring interviews with key InterPride spokespeople
- Make a connection between InterPride and the work it does for the global LGBTQIA+ community including the organization's partnership with Pride 365.
- Highlight InterPride's 40th

anniversary and community impact worldwide

- Generate earned influencer opportunities to build awareness for IPGG and the InterPride brand
- Credential media and influencers attending IPGG and ensure they received necessary assets for storytelling and posting on social
- Serve as on-the-ground support for media, influencers, and other talent during the gala
- Prepare talking points and necessary media prep materials for social posting including key messaging



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Media Relations

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

- Beginning March 2023, LBPR conducted outreach to LGBTQ+, entertainment, consumer lifestyle, and local LA media about IPGG and InterPride's larger initiatives and events leading up to the gala.
- To date, LBPR secured a total of 17 digital placements and with a total viewership of 4.01B with an ad equivalency of \$3,885,000.
- Most notably, LBPR secured an exclusive broadcast interview for IPGG host Jai Rodriguez with KTLA to talk about the event and
- InterPride's work in an effort to drive ticket sales and raise awareness of the upcoming event with a total advertising equivalency value of \$245K and a viewership of over 266K.
- The overall sentiment of coverage secured was positive, with media highlighting the 40th anniversary of InterPride, celebrity talent that attended the gala, and more.
- Key placements include KTLA, The Hollywood Reporter, The Advocate, OUT, Variety, and more.



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Press Announcements

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

LBPR drafted two press releases and conducted outreach for the following announcements:

InterPride's initial announcement of the gala

- INTERPRIDE ANNOUNCES THE INAUGURAL INTERPRIDE GLOBAL GALA IN CELEBRATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY (CLICK HERE)

InterPride's honoree announcement

- INTERPRIDE TO HONOR JOEL KIM BOOSTER, FRAN DRESCHER, LAITH ASHLEY, AND PRIDE 365 AT THE INAUGURAL INTERPRIDE GLOBAL GALA ON APRIL 29 (CLICK HERE)



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Gala Public Relations Report Honorees & Presenters

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

LBPR secured the following honorees and presenters for the IPGG. LBPR provided each with sample caption copy, InterPride’s official

social handles, hashtags and assets for posting. InterPride partners, Pride 365, were also honored at the event.

Gala Public Relations Report Influencers & Celebrities

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LBPR secured the following LGBTQIA+ influencers (partial list) to drive awareness and ticket sales for the IPGG event. LBPR provided each

influencer with sample caption copy, InterPride’s official social handles, hashtags and assets for posting.



 **Laith Ashley**
Instagram Followers: 345K



 **Brian Michael Smith**
Instagram Followers: 77K



 **Peter Marc Jacobson**
Instagram Followers: 31K



 **Frankie Grande**
Instagram Followers: 2M



 **Omar Shariff**
Instagram Followers: 65K



 **Sophie Nicolaou**
Pride 365 Head of Content



 **Joel Kim Booster**
Instagram followers: 202K



 **Fran Drescher**
Instagram followers: 988K



 **Emma Hunton**
Instagram Followers: 97K



 **Jeff Rohrer**
Instagram followers: 2.1K



 **Ron Funches**
Instagram followers: 267K



 **Jack Mizel**
Pride 365 CEO



 **AJ Gibson**
Instagram followers: 58.1K



 **Emile Ennis**
Instagram Followers: 61K



Gala Public Relations Report

Notable Community Members

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

LBPR secured the following LGBTQIA+ influencers and people of note to drive

awareness and ticket sales for the IPGG event.



 **Andres Rigal**
Instagram Followers: 41K



 **Stefano Rosso**
Instagram Followers: 31K



 **Bradley Bredeweg**
Instagram Followers: 24.4K

**Shared email blast to thousands of LA residents*



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Influencer Highlights

Gala Public Relations Report provided by Lucky Break PR.

@theonlycocomontrese
210K IG followers



@_ajgibson
57K IG followers



@frankiegrande
2M IG followers



@jairodriguez
62K IG followers

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Gala Public Relations Report Onsight Support

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LBPR staffed the IPGG and accomplished the following:

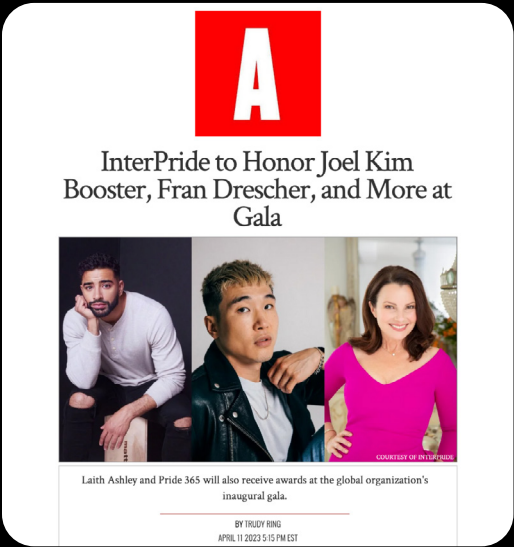
- Hosted five media at the gala from The Hollywood Times, Out Magazine, and Getty Images.
- Coordinated various VIPs and celebrities to attend including: Frankie Grande, Omar Sharif, Jr., Jeff Roher, and Emma Hunton.
- Coordinated red carpet interviews with the Hollywood Times and OUT Magazine.
- Managed media and photographers to ensure impactful photos were captured of key talent and influencers.
- Credentialed media and handled influencers directing them to visible places.
- Ensured media gained smooth access and had all the necessary information.



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Gala Public Relations Report Coverage Highlights

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Gala Public Relations Report Broadcast Highlight

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VIEWERS: 266K

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Gala Public Relations Report Sponsorship Interest

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LBPR secured interest for future sponsorships from the following internationally recognized brands.









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Media Articles

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Outbeat News Podcast ([CLICK HERE](#))

The Hollywood Reporter, (Online: 13.8M) – Events of the Week: ‘Love Again,’ ‘Angel City’ and More ([CLICK HERE](#))

Syndication

Yahoo Entertainment, (Online: 3.2B) – Events of the Week: ‘Love Again,’ ‘Angel City’ and More ([CLICK HERE](#))

Out, (Online: 2M) – Deborah Cox Knows Why the Gays Love Her Music So Much ([CLICK HERE](#))

TooFab, (Online: 4.7M) – TooFab’s Week in Celebrity Photos: April 30 – May 6 ([CLICK HERE](#))

Hollywood Life, (Online: 8.4M) – Hottest Celebrity Pics This Week Of May 1 – 7: Katie Holmes & More ([CLICK HERE](#))

IdentifyLA, (Online: 17.1K) – InterPride Celebrates its 40th Anniversary with Star Studded Gala in Hollywood ([CLICK HERE](#))

Women’s Health, (Online: 39M) – What Does ‘Queer’ Mean? Experts Explain What It Means To Identify With This Identity Label ([CLICK HERE](#))

IdentifyLA, (Online: 17.1K) – InterPride Celebrates its 40th Anniversary with Star Studded Gala in Hollywood ([CLICK HERE](#))

DoLA, (Online: 221.8K) – InterPride 40th Anniversary Gala ([CLICK HERE](#))

Hotspots Magazine, (Online: 16.5K) – What’s Hot South Florida: April 13 – 22 ([CLICK HERE](#))

The Hollywood Times, (Online: 34.7K) – InterPride to Honor Joel Kim Booster, Fran Drescher, Laith Ashley, and Pride 365 at the Inaugural InterPride Global Gala on April 29 ([CLICK HERE](#))

IdentifyLA – Interpride to honor Joel Kim Booster, Fran Drescher, Laith Ashley and Pride 365 at the Interpride Global Gala on April 29th ([CLICK HERE](#))

Angeleno Magazine (27.8K Followers) ([CLICK HERE](#)) and Los Angeles Confidential (14.7K Followers) ([CLICK HERE](#)) – Interpride Ticket Giveaway

Angeleno Magazine, (Online:, 43.5K) – See All Of The Can’t-Miss Events Happening In L.A. This April ([CLICK HERE](#))

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Media Articles

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KTLA Morning News at 10am
Link to Segment ([CLICK HERE](#))
Local Market Viewership: 266.3K
Local Publicity Value: \$244,635.30

KTLA Morning News Online , (Online: 13.3M) – Jai Rodriguez previews the first ever InterPride Global Gala ([CLICK HERE](#))

Instagram @ktlaweekendam (Followers: 61K) + Instagram @jairodriguez (Followers: 62k)

Apple Podcasts, (Online: 21M) – Woke AF Daily: ‘Bottomless Benefit of Brunch’ ([CLICK HERE](#))

Spotify, (Online: 150. 1M) – Woke AF Daily: ‘Bottomless Benefit of Brunch’ ([CLICK HERE](#))

The Stitcher, (Online: 2M) – Woke AF Daily: ‘Bottomless Benefit of Brunch’

([CLICK HERE](#))

The Advocate, (Online: 1.6M) – InterPride to Honor Joel Kim Booster, Fran Drescher, and More at Gala ([CLICK HERE](#))

Facebook (Followers: 453K) ([CLICK HERE](#)) + Twitter (Followers: 304.3K) ([CLICK HERE](#))

OUTTAKE, (Online: 2.5K) – LGBTQ InterPride Global Gala Honorees ([CLICK HERE](#))

Tampa Bay Gay, (Online: 1K) – InterPride to Honor Joel Kim Booster, Fran Drescher, Laith Ashley, and Pride 365 at the inaugural InterPride Global Gala on April 29 ([CLICK HERE](#))

Fran Drescher Social Post, (IG Followers: 951K) ([CLICK HERE](#))



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Future Partnerships

Fresh Funding Opportunities

New and exciting relationships were achieved as a result of Gala outreach efforts. Several multi-national organizations are committed to supporting InterPride. These relationships will take time to develop as we expand our future sponsorship opportunities. The relationships could take 1-2 years to solidify with the inherent complexities of more significant sponsorship commitments.

We regularly contact them to continue developing the vital revenue streams we expect to achieve.

Of the over 50 companies we made new connections with, five major partnership leads are being worked on with the opportunity for over \$500,000 in new annual funding to support our work and our member organizations.



Financials

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Income	Memo/Description	Amount (\$USD)
StarPoint Properties	Sponsor	5,000.00
Pride 365	Sponsor	5,000.00
Van Roden, Peter	Sponsor	250.00
Digital Realty	Sponsor	7,500.00
Debra Smalley Charitable Fund	Sponsor	500.00
Capital Group	Sponsor	2,500.00
Auction	Silent Auction	17,023.29
Donations	Online	327.36
Eventbrite	Tickets	21,149.59
TOTAL		59,250.24

In-Kind Donors	Memo/Description	Amount (\$USD)
Centre Theatre Group	In-Kind Donation	10,000.00
Marriott	In-Kind Donation	30,000.00
Veggie Grill	In-Kind Donation	1,000.00
Atmosvu Candles	In-Kind Donation	1,495.00
Happy Socks	In-Kind Donation	860.00
Lucky Break PR	In-Kind Donation	20,000.00
Fotio	In-Kind Donation	5,000.00
TOTAL		68,355.00

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Expenses	Memo/Description	Amount (\$USD)
Avalon Hollywood	Venue	31,731.80
JJ LA, LLC.	Gala Producer	159,080.02
JMMCOY, LLC	Sponsor Coordinator	12,000.00
Robert John Russo Gallery	Gala Auction	3,000.00
TOTAL		205,811.82



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Ruby Brand Sponsor



Silver Sponsor



Gala Sponsors

Bronze Sponsors



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InterPride Co-President

Community Partner



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AIRLINES

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Mark Liberson & Rodney Becker

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Catherine Gray & Debra
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Glenne McElhinney

Jen LaBarbera

Kate Amendola

Larry Holzberg

Lisa Kentisaac

Peter & Lisa Van Roden

Linda DeMarco

Liz Castleman

Madonna Cacciatore & Robin
McWilliams

Marsha H. Levine

Michael Ogilvie

Robyn Kennedy

She Angels Foundation

Presenters

Land Acknowledgement

L Frank Manriquz & Yuè Clehona Begay

InterPride Champion Award Presenter

Sophie Nicolaou

InterPride Champion Award Presented to

Jack Mizel

InterPride Ally Award Presenter

Peter Marc Jacobson



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Presenters

InterPride Secretary

Alan Reiff

Pride Trailblazer Award Presenter

Brian Michael Smith

Mayor of West Hollywood

Mayor Sepi Shyne

InterPride Spotlight Award Presenter

Ron Funches

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Talent

Jai Rodriguez



Gala Host

Broadway/TV star and Emmy award winning host Jai Rodriguez, best known as the Culture Guru on the OG *Queer Eye*. Most recently audiences have seen him in *BROS*, Netflix's *UNCOUPLED* and Fox's *Fantasy Island*.

New York native, and no stranger to the spotlight, Jai Rodriguez, is an entertainment icon who consistently checks all the boxes.

Deborah Cox

Gala Headliner

Deborah Cox possesses one of the most powerful and versatile contemporary voices of our time. The Grammy Award nominated, multi-platinum R & B/Pop recording artist and actress recently blew the roof off theatres as she starred in the Rachel Marron role originally played by Whitney Houston in the new musical "The Bodyguard". She made her Broadway debut in the leading role in Elton John and Tim Rice's musical "Aida", receiving rave reviews.



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Talent



Coco Montrese

Gala Drag Performer

Coco Montrese has touched people the world over. From her early days as a performer at Walt Disney World, this colorful, sassy — yet gentle — character came to life on stage. It wasn't long until Marty became Coco and the rest was history.

She's a diva that keeps pushing forward and showing a new generation of drag queens what it means to be professional and kind-hearted — qualities of a true success story.

DJ Nica Ricci

Gala DJ

Brunna Nica Ricci has been rocking the scene more than half of her life. Born in the 80s in the former Yugoslavia, after surviving the war.

Chess became her escape of reality and life battle. She wanted to win her war game on that chess board, while she wanted for war to finish in front of her basement window.



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Talent



Mortasay

Gala Performer

Mortasay is the ever evolving expression of married LA-based multimedia artists Vonyse Reeder and Amy Lou Palmer. Formed in 2010, MORTASAY reflects a percussive indie electronic soul sound, full of personal introspection, self empowerment, social uplift, and inclusivity. Individually and together, they have performed with such artists as Chaka Kahn, Erykah Badu, Morris Day & the Time, Pat Benatar, Indie Arie, Hillsong, and House of Vibe. Their cover version and video for "One of Us" was released in 2021, with a long awaited album project slated to drop this year. "The music we create represents our championing of healthy loving relationships regardless of race, gender, or spiritual background." It's a conversation, It's real, it's raw...this is Mortasay.

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Honorees



Laith Ashley

InterPride Trailblazer Award

Through his activism and professional work, **Laith Ashley** continually brings visibility and raises awareness for issues facing the trans community.

Honorees



Fran Drescher

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Joel Kim Booster

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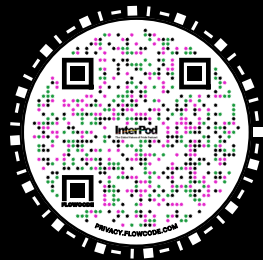
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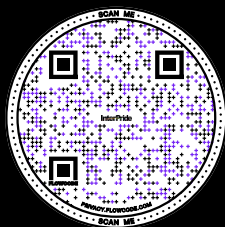
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