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Feeding Motherhood

Chicago Signature Chefs: Feeding Motherhood

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From our event co-chairs



Kate Lattner

Dear friends,

Welcome to March of Dimes
Signature Chefs: Feeding Motherhood!
Tonight, we're adding a little flavor to
fundraising. We are thrilled that you've
joined us for an evening of tasty culinary
treats from Chicago's most talented chefs,
an exciting live auction, and the chance to
make a difference in the lives of families by
participating in our special Fund the
Mission.

We're here to help March of Dimes
lead the fight for the health of all moms
and babies. Each year in the US, a
woman dies every 12 hours from
pregnancy-related causes, and 1 in 10
babies is born preterm. Together we can
change that.

By being here, you're helping March
of Dimes continue funding research,
education, and advocacy, and programs
and services that help families everywhere
get the best possible start.

Thank you and bon appétit!

Kate Lattner and Kyle Daddio
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Event Program

5:30 p.m. **Cocktail Hour**
Atlantic Foyer
Join us for cocktails and passed hors d'oeuvres.

6:00 p.m. **Tastings Begin**
Atlantic Ballroom
Visit 26 stations throughout the foyer and ballroom to sample Chicago's finest restaurants, breweries, and spirits.

Mini-Live Auction Begins

Bid on packages in our interactive mini-live auction, located on and around the stage in the ballroom. Please remain close to the stage to place your final bids around 7:45 p.m. as this will be a LIVE close.

8:00 p.m. **Live Program Begins**
Atlantic Ballroom
Please take your seats for this evening's program.

9:15 p.m. **Event Concludes**
We will be serving champagne, coffee, late-night bites, and dessert in the foyer immediately following the program.

Thank you to Tievoli Pizza and Millennium Hall Restaurant for providing late night bites! And thank you to our dessert partners: Bittersweet Pastry Shop, Eli's Cheesecake, Ferrara Candies, Heart and Soul Bakeshop, Shake Shack, Sweet Mandy B's Bakery, The Chef and the Baker

Whitney Reynolds

PBS

Emcee



Whitney Reynolds believes in creating more seats at the table, finding inspiration in challenges, and sharing hope with all. That philosophy shaped *The Whitney Reynolds Show*, which launched on PBS in 2012 and carved out space for stories of resilience and belonging.

As Executive Producer, Host, and “Chief Inspo Officer,” Whitney leads her Emmy®-nominated, Telly Award-winning program filmed in Chicago and syndicated nationally via PBS and streaming platforms including Tubi, Prime, and the PBS app. The show provides a safe space for powerful personal stories and meaningful dialogue.

Before launching her own media company, Whitney worked in news for NBC and interned at *Good Morning America* while studying at Baylor University. Her entrepreneurial path began at 25, when she took ownership of her show and built Whitney Reynolds Media—a mission-driven brand that also produces *Whitney’s Wish List*, a WGN holiday special spotlighting products and companies that give back.

Beyond television, Whitney hosts a long-running iHeart Radio “give-back” segment, contributes to national magazines, and uses her platforms to inspire hope-filled storytelling. She’s delivered a viral TEDx Talk on why such stories matter and continues to champion philanthropic causes through annual PSAs that have raised over \$5 million for nonprofits.

Named to *Crain’s* 40 Under 40 and honored with a Stevie Award for “Equality in Pay for Women,” Whitney serves on the Board of The Service Club of Chicago and is a member of the Economic Club of Chicago.

A proud southern Oklahoma native now based in Chicago’s Roscoe Village with her husband, twins, and Shih Tzu Sir Crouton, Whitney lives by her motto: “If the door closes, find the darn window.”

Beverage Partners

Forbidden Root

At Forbidden Root, Chicago's first botanic brewery, we brew craft beer inspired by nature. We love barley, water, hops, and yeast and use those as a base to explore a rich world of wild ingredients.

One Allegiance Brewing

Our goal is to serve fresh local beer to our community, so we promise to keep variety flowing as long as you promise to enjoy a cold one in good company.

Revolution Brewing

The change in the U.S. beer scene has undoubtedly been revolutionary. We are proud of what we have accomplished in our short time to become a leader and innovator in the industry. The evolving tastes of beer drinkers has demanded bigger flavors, more variety, and better beer. That's exactly what we give you at Revolution Brewing. Between our brewery and our brewpub, we produce dozens of different beer styles every year. IPAs, porters, pilsners, Belgian-style ales, pale ales, barrel-aged beers—the list goes on.

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We channel our energy into curating truly creative and engaging ideas to make your events and experiences unique. We keep things simple and approachable and keep over-the-top hospitality at the core of everything we do. Whether we're serving you a drink or empowering you to create your own, seeing a smile on your face brings a smile to ours.

Additional Partners

FARMZERO

FARMZERO is revolutionizing urban agriculture, by implementing sustainable and efficient farming practices to provide fresh, healthy and locally grown produce year-round in the urban environment. By doing so, we create a more resilient and healthy food system for Chicago and beyond.

Millennium Hall Restaurant

Millennium Hall Restaurant brings the flavors of Chicago to life with a menu inspired by the city's culinary traditions. Located beneath Cloud Gate in Millennium Park, our inviting space offers cozy indoor dining and Chicago's largest beer garden. Whether you're visiting for a meal or a drink, Millennium Hall is your go-to spot for an authentic Chicago experience.

Shake Shack

When Shake Shack started as a hot dog cart in New York City's Madison Square Park, our mission was simple: raise funds for a public art project. As we grew into a global business, our mission to Stand For Something Good expanded to include sourcing premium ingredients from partners with the same dedication to quality and supporting our communities through donations, events, and volunteering. Doing good is in our roots, a part of our DNA since day one. 20 years later, we're still continuing to expand and evolve our mission to Stand For Something Good in everything we do.

Tievoli Pizza Bar

At Tievoli we take pride in combining our passion for pizza along with a contemporary yet classic atmosphere. We carefully put together a menu that caters to all palettes, specializing in hand crafted pizzas created by the owner and award winning pizzaiolo.

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Tom Koltun

2025 Fields Family Legacy Award Recipient



March of Dimes Chicago is thrilled to recognize Tom Koltun as the 2025 recipient of the Fields Family Legacy Award.

Established in 2017, this prestigious award honors the remarkable contributions of Dan and Amy Fields and their family, long-time supporters of March of Dimes. It celebrates individuals who demonstrate extraordinary generosity, leadership, and unwavering commitment to the organization's mission.

Tom Koltun, President of Kolcraft Enterprises—a third-generation, family-owned company specializing in innovative baby products for nearly 80 years—embodies the spirit of this award. His journey with March of Dimes began in 2014, inspired by the shared dedication of both Kolcraft and the organization to support babies and families. Since then, Tom has been a passionate and consistent advocate, championing major initiatives like March for Babies and Signature Chefs: Feeding Motherhood.

His leadership and dedication have left a lasting impact. As Chair of Chicago March for Babies in 2018, Tom mobilized Kolcraft employees and integrated the mission into the company culture. Under his leadership, Team Kolcraft has raised nearly \$250,000 over the years. From 2020 to 2022, Tom served as Co-Chair of Signature Chefs: Feeding Motherhood, helping to raise nearly \$2 million. The Chicago event earned the distinction of being the top March of Dimes Chef's event in the nation twice during his tenure.

We are honored to celebrate Tom's incredible legacy and tireless commitment to improving the health of moms and babies at this year's Signature Chefs event.

The Kellys

Ambassador Family



March of Dimes is pleased to introduce the 2025 Ambassador Family, the Kellys!

Thea, Willa, and Finn arrived earlier than expected, as Caroline was admitted to the hospital during a routine check-up showing signs of pre-eclampsia.

March of Dimes played a vital role in the Kelly's NICU journey. All three babies received Surfactant for lung support – especially important for Finn, who had a partially collapsed lung. The March of Dimes' Compass App (formerly known as the NICU Baby App) also helped Chris and Caroline understand what to expect.

Grateful for the support they received, the Kellys are committed to giving back to other NICU families and supporting March of Dimes however they can.

Fund the Mission



March of Dimes' critical mission

March of Dimes leads the fight for the health of all moms and babies. We provide research, education, and advocacy, and programs and services to give every family the best possible start. Since 1938, we've built a successful legacy to support every pregnant person and every family.

We're there when moms and babies need us

The March of Dimes community unites to support families throughout their pregnancy journeys and drives our work to create change, amplify our impact, and continue being a beacon of hope and progress.

Every family deserves to be healthy. Together, we can end preventable maternal health risks and death, end preterm birth and infant death, and close the health equity gap for every family.

You can make a difference

Give every baby a brighter future by donating now. The auctioneer will call out donation levels of \$25,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,000, \$500, and \$250. Raise your bid card for the level of your choice. Your gift is 100% tax-deductible.

Volunteers will be handing out a special treat to those who make a gift.

Thank you for your support!

Auction rules

General auction rules

1. A signature, electronic, or verbal bid during the auction constitutes a legal offer to buy. At the call of the auctioneer, the highest bidder (hereinafter the “purchaser”) shall be deemed to have purchased the offered item in accordance with both (i) all of the conditions set forth herein and (ii) any terms and conditions presented in the item description and certificate (if applicable). The purchaser further (a) assumes full risk and responsibility therefore, (b) if requested will sign a confirmation of purchase, and (c) will pay the purchase price in full for all items purchased. All sales are final and there will be no exchanges or refunds. In all cases of dispute, the decision of March of Dimes is final. All questions concerning any auction items, including but not limited to travel, must be submitted to March of Dimes within sixty (60) days post event date.

2. Restaurant certificates do not include liquor, tax, or gratuities, unless otherwise indicated. All hotel/resort reservations are based on availability unless the certificate specifies a specific date.

3. Please pay attention to all conditions, restrictions, and expiration dates on items and services. **Except where noted by the donor of the auctioned item, services, tickets, certificate items, etc., must be used within one year of the auction and are subject to mutually agreed upon times and dates.** March of Dimes assumes no responsibility for travel arrangements. No refunds will be made for canceled or unused tickets or accommodations. All air transportation is coach class unless otherwise noted and is subject to blackout dates. Future donations depend upon strict observance of these restrictions.

4. March of Dimes reserves the right to withdraw any item at any time before the call for bids on that item. March of Dimes may adjourn sale without notice before specific item is struck off. March of Dimes may, in its discretion and on an item-by-item basis, require that successive bids be at least a stated amount above previous bid. Items depicted in the video presentation are for illustrative purposes only and may not be actual auction items.

5. If delivery of items is to be made by March of Dimes, if March of Dimes is prevented by fire, theft, or any other reason whatsoever from delivering any item to the purchaser, March of Dimes liability shall be limited to the sum actually paid for that item by the purchaser and shall in no event include any incidental or consequential damages.

6. March of Dimes has endeavored to describe the items correctly, but all items are sold "AS IS," and March of Dimes neither warrants nor represents, and shall in no event be responsible for, the correctness of the description, genuineness, fitness for original purpose of item, authorship, provenance, or condition of any item. No statement contained in the program, item description, item certificate (if applicable), or made orally at the sale or elsewhere shall be deemed to be such a warranty or representation. Failure or inability to inspect the item is not grounds for adjustment or rescission of a bid.

7. Auctions may include donated items. March of Dimes has no liability for disputes between the purchaser and donor regarding the donated item.

8. If packing and handling of purchased items is done by March of Dimes, it is done at the risk of the purchaser. March of Dimes is not liable for any acts or omissions of carriers or packers, including those the March of Dimes may recommend. Such carriers or packers may carry their own insurance and any claim for loss or damage should be addressed directly to them.

9. Payment must be made in full the evening of the event. Guests can either pay in advance at Registration or at the conclusion of the Live Auction at guest check out. Cash, check, American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa will be accepted. March of Dimes may require additional purchaser information upon payment, such as the purchaser's name, address, and phone number.

10. Items can be removed only by exhibiting a paid receipt from an auction cashier. Unless otherwise noted, all items must be removed from the venue at the close of the auction. If not so removed, the item may, at March of Dimes' option, be transferred to a public warehouse at the purchaser's risk and expense.

11. Due to license and insurance regulations, leased and purchased motor vehicles may be picked up on an agreed upon date and time, at the dealer's place of business. If applicable, all transfer and license fees fall to the responsibility of the purchaser.

12. Alcohol may be sold and delivered only to persons who are at least 21 years old.

13. Please note that on any sports memorabilia item, while March of Dimes has done everything in its power to secure a valid certificate of authenticity, March of Dimes neither warrants nor represents, and shall in no event be responsible for, the authenticity, genuineness, or condition of any item.

14. March of Dimes assumes no responsibility for any item purchased and either re-sold or re-donated to another event. Items may not be resold at public sales.

15. March of Dimes may set a minimum price below which the item will not be sold (a "reserve price"). In such a case, no bid will be considered if less than the reserve price.

16. The cost of the admission ticket is tax deductible to the extent of the amount exceeding the fair market value.

17. A portion of your winning bid may be eligible for a tax deduction as allowed by the IRS. Please consult your tax professional for eligibility.

18. Under State law, March of Dimes is not required to collect sales tax on items purchased at this auction. However, the purchaser of some items may be required to pay use tax. You are encouraged to contact the relevant State Department of Revenue (or equivalent) or consult with your tax adviser to determine if you are required to pay use tax on any items purchased at this auction.

19. March of Dimes reserves the right to alter all auction terms at any time before commencement of auction.

Live Auction

Additional terms also applicable to Live Auctions:

1. Successful bidders for the Live Auction must sign a bidder form. At that time, they should verify that the bid number, amount, and item descriptions are correct. A signature constitutes a legal contract to buy.
2. Should a bidder refuse to sign the bidder form, the item will be returned to the auctioneer and resold immediately.

Package 1: \$2,200

Package 2: \$4,000

Package 3: \$0

Package 4: \$8,550

Package 5: \$3,500

Package #1

Meet Nico at Wrigley



Step up to the plate for an unforgettable day at Wrigley Field during the 2026 Chicago Cubs season! Enjoy a private meet-and-greet with Cubs starting second baseman Nico Hoerner, access to batting practice, and four tickets to the 1914 Club, right behind home plate with all-inclusive food and drinks. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for die-hard Cubs fans and baseball enthusiasts alike.

Package Highlights:

- Meet & greet with starting Second Baseman Nico Hoerner
- Attend Chicago Cubs batting practice
- 4 tickets to the game (section 19, row 5) with access to the 1914 Club (food and drink included)

Package Details:

The experience will be scheduled on a mutually agreed upon date during the 2026 season. 1914 Club guests receive all-inclusive food, beer, and wine.

Donated by the Chicago Cubs and
Joe Romano

Package #2

Apolonia at Home: A Michelin Culinary Experience



Experience the culinary artistry of Apolonia - a Michelin Bib Gourmand recipient - in your own home. Chef & Owner Stephen Gillanders and Culinary Director Joe Spretnjak will work with you to create a six-course menu for up to twelve guests, tailored to your tastes and highlighting Apolonia's modern Mediterranean coastal flavors.

Each course will be thoughtfully prepared and served with selected wines, with a professional server ensuring a seamless and unforgettable evening.

Package Highlights:

- Private six-course dinner for up to 12 guests, tailored to your tastes
- Menu crafted by Chef & Owner Stephen Gillanders and Culinary Director Joe Spretnjak
- Served with selected wines and a professional server for a seamless, unforgettable evening

Package Details:

Redeemable within Chicago and the surrounding suburbs. Blackout dates apply. One-month notice required. Gratuity not included. Expires 11/14/26.

Donated by Apolonia

Package #3

Mother's Day Brunch at the NICU



Honor the heart of the March of Dimes mission by creating a special Mother's Day brunch for families spending the holiday in the NICU.



Perfect for honoring moms & families, this celebration highlights the lifesaving work you make possible every day.

Package Highlights:

- Catering for 60 provided by Seoul Spice
- Photography provided by Francis Son
- Manicures provided by Daniela Ramirez
- Opportunity for winning bidder to select the recipient hospital (subject to March of Dimes and hospital approval)

Package Details:

The event will take place in spring, 2026. Scheduling will be coordinated by March of Dimes.

Donated by Daniela Ramirez,
Francis Son, and Seoul Spice

Package #4

Dates for a Year



Tired of dinner and a movie? Do you want to do something new with your partner? No need to plan a date night with these unforgettable experiences. Enjoy an in-home dinner with a private chef, a full omakase experience at Sushi by Scratch, a Joffrey Ballet performance of “The Nutcracker”, a decadent double date at Prime & Provisions, and a luxurious staycation at The Langham – these are just a few of the 12 amazing experiences included in this package!

Package Highlights:

- Date 1:** Overnight staycation (2 nights) at The Langham with access to Club Room
- Date 2:** Full omakase experience for two at Sushi by Scratch
- Date 3:** In-home dinner for two with Private Chef David de Quay
- Date 4:** Double Date - Prime & Provisions chef's tasting experience with wine pairings
- Date 5:** Two tickets to The Joffrey Ballet's production of “The Nutcracker” & hotel stay at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel
- Date 6:** Private VIP Art Institute tour & drinks/bites at NoMI
- Date 7:** Two club-level tickets to the Bulls vs. Miami Heat game on January 8
- Date 8:** Cooking class for two at Bettie's
- Date 9:** Chicago's First Lady Architecture River Cruise & lunch at Morton's
- Date 10:** Comedy show at Second City with drinks at Willow Room
- Date 11:** Arthur Murray dance classes for two & drinks/bites at Blue Sushi & Saki Grill
- Date 12:** Chicago Food Tour

Package Details:

All experiences expire on 11/14/26 unless otherwise noted. Architecture Tour – Tickets expire 9/20/26. Art Institute – Must be scheduled in advance on a mutually agreed date. Bulls Tickets – Cannot be exchanged; food & beverages are the winner's responsibility. David de Quay – Dinner for two on a mutually agreed date; BYOB or sommelier service available for an additional fee (includes one bottle of champagne). Book 2–4 weeks in advance or one month during the busy season (mid-Oct–Jan 15). Experience must take place in Chicago or close suburbs. Radisson Blu Aqua – Voucher expires 12/31/26. Second City – Tickets expire 11/30/26. Reservation required. Not valid Fridays or Saturdays. Blackout dates apply. Sushi by Scratch - all taxes & fees included. The Joffrey Ballet – Show runs Dec 5–28, 2026; redeemable for any performance except weekend matinees. The Langham Chicago – Gift voucher must be quoted when booking & presented upon arrival (no photocopies). Subject to availability; blackout dates apply; cancellations within 24 hours void voucher; expires 11/30/26.

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Package #5

Yes, Chef! A Michelin-Starred Experience at EL ideas



For one unforgettable evening, Chef Phillip Foss - owner and chef of the Michelin-starred EL ideas in Chicago and guest judge on Top Chef - will open his restaurant exclusively for you and five guests. Step behind the scenes into the open kitchen of EL ideas, where Chef Foss and his team will guide you through a hands-on staging and plating session, followed by an exquisite nine-course tasting menu. Known for his playful “chaos cooking,” he brings creativity and fun to every plate. Each course will be served with wine selections from Perman Wine Selections, ensuring the perfect complement to your meal. Expect laughter, fine dining, and maybe even a few “Yes, Chef” moments of your own.



Package Highlights

- Private behind-the-scenes kitchen experience at EL ideas exclusively for you & five guests
- Wine pairings provided by Perman Wine Selections
- Hands-on kitchen experience with Chef Phillip Foss - plate, stage, and learn from a Michelin-award chef
- Nine-course tasing menu, crafted & presented by the chef himself

Package Details:

Must be booked at least one month in advance. Experience is available Monday - Wednesday evenings, and the experience expires on 11/1/26.

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Upcoming events

March for Babies

Spring, 2026

Be part of something big and meaningful—join more than 2,000 walkers at one of three Chicagoland March for Babies events! Families, hospital teams, and corporate groups come together to celebrate, honor, and support every family's journey to a healthy start. Lace up, rally your team, and make a difference for moms and babies across our community

To learn more, visit marchforbabies.org.

Construction & Transportation Awards Luncheon

October 2, 2026

Join more than 500 industry leaders and partners for the March of Dimes Construction & Transportation Awards Luncheon, celebrating excellence across Chicagoland's construction and transportation industries. This inspiring event honors outstanding people, projects, and companies whose commitment to quality, innovation, and community support helps build a stronger future for all families.

To learn more, visit marchofdimes.org/events/constructionandtransportation

Run for Babies

Take your miles further with Team March of Dimes! Join our endurance team and make every step count toward healthier futures for families everywhere. Whether you're running the Bank of America Chicago Marathon or another upcoming race, you'll train with purpose, connect with passionate teammates, and raise critical funds to support moms and babies.

To learn more, contact Kristen at krobertson@marchofdimes.org.



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