



For Immediate Release:

# THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION HONORS FIVE EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN AT THE 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL WOMEN OF INFLUENCE AWARDS IN NEW YORK

*FOUNDATION CELEBRATES WOMEN WHO HAVE ACHIEVED OUTSTANDING GOALS IN BUSINESS, FAMILY HOME AND HEALTH*

**LUNCHEON EVENT BENEFITS CANCER RESEARCH- FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018 – THE PLAZA HOTEL NY**

**New York, New York – (April 20, 2017)** – The T.J. Martell Foundation for Cancer Research will hold its annual 2018 Women of Influence Awards which will be held Friday, May 11, 2018 at The Plaza Hotel, Grand Ballroom located at 768 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in New York. The reception will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a luncheon and awards to follow from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The awards celebration will honor five outstanding women who have achieved tremendous goals in business and inspire other women around the globe to live their dreams while balancing work, family, home and health.

The 2018 Women of Influence honorees include Mindy Greenstein, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist, Psycho-Oncologist and Author; Elizabeth Matthews, CEO, ASCAP; Dana Miller, CMO, The Hollywood Reporter and Billboard; Mary Pierson, Vice President of Denim Design, J Crew; and Rachael Ray, Television Host and Philanthropist. The event will be hosted Mary Calvi, Anchor of CBS News This Morning and CBS2 News at Noon and feature guest speaker Julie Menin, Commissioner of the NYC Mayor’s Office of Media and Entertainment. The Women of Influence Awards & Luncheon, presented by Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, LLP, has become one of New York’s most sought after tickets celebrating the power of women and their efforts to help find a cure for cancer.

**T.J. Martell Foundation**  
Music's Promise for Curing Cancer

# WOMEN of Influence

**HONORING**

**MINDY GREENSTEIN, PH.D.**  
Clinical Psychologist, Psycho-Oncologist, and Author receiving the DR. JIMMIE HOLLAND PIONEER AWARD

**ELIZABETH MATTHEWS**  
CEO ASCAP

**MARY PIERSON**  
VP of Denim Design at J.Crew

**DANA MILLER**  
CMO The Hollywood Reporter and Billboard

**RACHAEL RAY**  
Television Host and Philanthropist

**FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018**  
THE PLAZA, GRAND BALLROOM  
768 5th Avenue | New York

**11:30 AM RECEPTION**  
**12:30-2:00 PM LUNCHEON**

**hosted by**  
**MARY CALVI**  
Anchor, CBS2 News / This Morning and CBS2 News At Noon

**guest speaker**  
**JULIE MENIN**  
Commissioner, NYC Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment

**Committee**  
Melike Ayan • Rayna Bass • Colleen Broomall • Hernandez Courtright • Sharon Dastor • Laura Ferraro • Patti Galluzzi • Eva George • Ariel Hyatt • Lauren Issa • Debra Joester • Tracey Jordan • Jennifer Justice • Carol Kaye • Terry Lamb • Leslie Leventman • Carrie Laskos • Wendy Lichtenhal • Kerri Macker • Sharon Make • Rose Gross-Marino • Paity Manshille • Debbie Martell • Laura McManus-Mesia • Allison Morris • Jaynie Mountford • Julie Talbott • Marilyn Tinter • Heather Vaughan • Marietta Warner • Emily Wittmann

**T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION**  
Laura Heatherly, CEO  
Teresa Gaudio, East Coast Executive Director

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“I am very excited about this year’s Women of Influence Awards in New York. The event has always brought together such amazing women to bond and learn about healthy living, cancer awareness and prevention and to celebrate women’s achievements,” said Laura Heatherly, CEO of the T.J. Martell Foundation. “We have always been aware of the power and influence women play in our everyday lives as well as business and I am proud that the T.J. Martell Foundation has been on the forefront of such recognitions. Over the past six years this annual event has raised vital funds for the T.J. Martell Foundation’s breast and ovarian cancer research programs.”

**The 2018 Women of Influence Awards & Luncheon** tickets, table sponsors and journal ads can be purchased by going to the website’s Events Page. Ticket purchase link: [tjmfwomenofinfluence.org](http://tjmfwomenofinfluence.org)

The Women of Influence Awards & Luncheon will begin with a reception and silent auction at 11:30 a.m. followed by a luncheon and award presentation. Honorees will be available for press interviews during the reception. Press should RSVP to the contact below for press attendance for coverage purposes.

#### **ABOUT THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION**

The T.J. Martell Foundation is the music industry’s leading foundation that funds innovative medical research focused on finding treatments and cures for cancer. The Foundation was founded in 1975 by music industry executive Tony Martell and his colleagues in loving memory of his son T.J., who died of leukemia. The Foundation has provided more than \$280 million for research at eight flagship hospitals in the United States. For more information on the T.J. Martell Foundation visit [www.tjmartell.org](http://www.tjmartell.org).

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