


NASHVILLE
HONORS GALA

THE 8TH ANNUAL T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION NASHVILLE HONORS GALA HAS RECORD YEAR AS HONOREES ARE FETED WITH OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

More than \$500,000 raised for innovative leukemia, cancer and AIDS research

The event celebrated honorees Aubrey Harwell, Brian Philips, Jennifer Pietenpol, Ph. D., Kenny Rogers and The FedEx Corporation.



Front row L to R: Brian Philips, Jennifer Pietenpol, Ph.D., Kenny Rogers, Aubrey Harwell, FedEx CEO Frederick W. Smith; **Back row L to R:** Jackie Wilson, Laura Heatherly, Dave Berryman, Scott Borchetta, Joe Walsh, Nashville Mayor Megan Barry, Leslie Fram, Chris Young, Charles Esten

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (February 29, 2016) - The T.J. Martell Foundation raised \$500,000 to benefit leukemia, cancer and AIDS research at tonight's Nashville Honors Gala, for a total of nearly \$3 million raised since 2009. Honorees were treated to performances by Charles Esten, Don Henley, Ronnie Milsap, Joe Walsh, Jackie Wilson and Chris Young and special presentations by Nashville Mayor Megan Barry, Hal Moses, Ph.D. and industry executive Scott Borchetta.

This year's honorees were:

Aubrey Harwell, Co-Founding Partner of Neal and Harwell: Spirit of Nashville Award

Brian Philips, President of CMT: Frances Preston Outstanding Music Industry Achievement Award

Jennifer Pietenpol, Ph.D., Director of the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center: Medical Research Advancement Award

Kenny Rogers, Grammy award-winning superstar: Tony Martell Lifetime Entertainment Achievement Award

FedEx Corporation: Outstanding Global Citizenship Award with Frederick W. Smith accepting on behalf of more than 350,000 team members around the world

The Nashville Honors Gala is one of the T.J. Martell Foundation's premier events that pays tribute to outstanding community leaders and presents special musical performances with heartwarming presentations that celebrates the evening's honorees. In addition to the performances, there will be a live and silent auction with proceeds benefitting leukemia, cancer and AIDS research.

About the T.J. Martell Foundation:

The T.J. Martell Foundation is a national organization founded by the music industry, whose mission is to fund innovative leukemia, cancer and AIDS research at flagship hospitals in the United States including the Frances Williams Preston Laboratories at the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center. To learn more about the T.J. Martell Foundation please visit www.tjmartell.org

T.J. Martell Foundation 8th Annual Nashville Honors Gala – Arrivals

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T.J. Martell Foundation 8th Annual Nashville Honors Gala – Show

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