

2017 Spotlight Initiative Gala Awards Dinner — Park City

December 14, 2016

honoring

**Connie Britton ♦ Jay Duplass ♦ Laura Prepon ♦ Julia
Ormond ♦ Barbara Kopple**

hosted by

Tim Daly

President, The Creative Coalition

presenters

Carrie Preston, Miguel Arteta

Sunday, January 22, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Kia Supper Suite

306 Main Street (Firewood)

Park City, Utah

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January 10, 2017

Connie Britton, Jay Duplass, Laura Prepon, Julia Ormond, and Barbara Kopple named 2017 Honorees to receive Awards

Park City, UT (January 10, 2017) – Today, The Creative Coalition announces this year's honorees headlining the 2017 Spotlight Initiative Awards Gala Dinner to be held at the Kia Supper Suite during the upcoming Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

Details of the event are as follows:

WHO:

Confirmed talent include actor and President of The Creative Coalition Tim Daly; actors Connie Britton, Jay Duplass, Laura Prepon, Julia Ormond, Carrie Preston, directors Barbara Koppel, Miguel Arteta, among other notables TBA

WHAT:

The 2017 Creative Coalition Spotlight Initiative Gala Awards Dinner

WHEN:

Sunday evening, January 22, 2017

7:00 pm – Red Carpet/Press Line/Photo Ops/VIP Cocktails and Hors d'Oeuvres

7:30 pm – Dinner and Awards

WHERE:

**Kia Supper Suite
(Firewood, 306 Main Street)**

Established in 2007, The Creative Coalition Spotlight Initiative Awards Gala brings together the most significant in the entertainment industry to celebrate the art and craft of independent film. "What better time to pay homage to the most independent form of art in the film industry. The newly minted Creative Coalition's Right to Bear Arts campaign, as well as the Spotlight Initiative Award, was created to shine a light on the efficacy of arts and those who create it," said CEO of The Creative Coalition Robin Bronk.

The event will be a private gala awards dinner hosted at the Kia Supper Suite, a pop-up takeover of Firewood Park

*****THIS IS AN INVITATION-ONLY, TICKETED EVENT. ALL PRESS MUST BE CREDENTIALLED. SPACE IS LIMITED*****

ABOUT THE CREATIVE COALITION AND THE SPOTLIGHT INITIATIVE:

The Creative Coalition (www.TheCreativeCoalition.org) is the premier nonprofit, nonpartisan 501 (c)(3) social and public advocacy organization of the arts and entertainment community. Founded in 1989 by prominent members of the creative community, The Creative Coalition is dedicated to educating, mobilizing, and activating its members on issues of public importance. Actor Tim Daly serves as the organization's President. The Spotlight Initiative Awards are a prestigious honor in the independent film arena. For over a decade, these honors have been bestowed during the Sundance, Cannes, and Toronto Film Festivals. Recent recipients include Maria Bello, Parker Posey, Nick Cannon, Uzo Aduba, Jennifer Connelly, Dustin Hoffman, Kathy Bates, Eddie Izzard, and Josh Lucas for *Boychoir*; William H. Macy and John Hawkes for *The Sessions*; Kevin Spacey, Demi Moore, Paul Bettany, Jeremy Irons, Zachary Quinto, Penn Badgley, Simon Baker, and Stanley Tucci for *Margin Call*; Vera Farmiga for *Goats*; Maggie Gyllenhaal for *Hysteria*; and directors Jim Sheridan, Jonathan Demme, Quentin Tarantino, Taylor Hackford, George Hickenlooper, Lee Daniels, Roland Emmerich, and Barry Levinson. Other Spotlight Award winners include Sean Penn, Robin Williams, Whoopi Goldberg, Jane Alexander, Harry Belafonte, Russell Simmons, Cicely Tyson, Marcia Gay Harden, Melissa Leo, Elijah Wood, Anna Kendrick, Ellen Barkin, Alan Arkin, Tracy Morgan, Kate Bosworth, Jane Lynch, Shailene Woodley, Alfred Molina, Cheryl Hines, Josh Gad, Jonathan Pryce, and Emile Hirsch, among others.

ABOUT THE KIA SUPPER SUITE:

The "Supper Suite" brand and event platform is a pop-up culinary and hospitality haven owned by Los Angeles based special events company, A-List Communications (www.a-listcommunications.com), and programmed at leading film festivals and Hollywood award shows each year. For its 2017 kick-off in Park City, Kia Motors America (www.kia.com) renews as Title Sponsor and will feature its Kia Niro crossover utility vehicle. Other supporting partners include **Maestro Dobel® Tequila, Topo Chico Mineral Water, Blue Moon Brewing, and Johndrow Vineyards.**

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