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# CHRIS NOTH, CARSON KRESSLEY HEADLINE 30th ANNUAL CHRIS EVERT PRO-CELEBRITY TENNIS CLASSIC – Annual Event is November 22-24, 2019

September 10, 2019 – Chris Evert Charities is excited to announce the star-studded lineup for the Chris Evert Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic. Presented by Chase Private Client, the Classic is set for November 22 – 24.

Celebrities scheduled to play in the 30th annual event include

Chris Noth, Carson Kressley, Jon Lovitz, David Cook, Hélio Castroneves, Shawn Hatosy, Tate Donovan, Jamie McShane and Maeve Quinlan.

Hollywood Stars and Wimbledon Champions will once again converge on South Florida to celebrate 30 years and one of the longest running charity events hosted by a former professional athlete.

Chris Noth is best known for setting hearts aflutter as the iconic “Mr. Big” on HBO’s Sex and the City, which also launched two blockbuster movies. Chris rose to prominence as Detective Mike Logan on the original Law and Order and starred in the CBS award winning drama The Good Wife.

Carson Kressley returns to the event bringing his extraordinary style and humor to center court. After beginning his career as an independent stylist, Kressley went on to win a primetime Emmy during a five-year run as the fashion savant on Bravo’s Queer Eye for the Straight Guy. He is also a New York Times best-selling author with three books to his credit.

One of the most successful IndyCar drivers in the world Hélio Castroneves returns to the event. Castroneves is a three-time Indianapolis 500 winner and one of the winningest drivers in Team Penske history. The 2019 season marks the 20th year of competition under the Team Penske banner for Castroneves. Multi-talented, Castroneves and his dance partner Julianne Hough were crowned 2007 champions on the fifth season of Dancing with the Stars.

Also returning are longtime participants and fan favorites comedian Jon Lovitz (Saturday Night Live), American Idol winner David Cook, Shawn Hatosy (TNT’s Animal Kingdom), Tate Donovan (Amazon’s The Man in the High Castle), Jamie McShane (Netflix’s Bloodline) and Maeve Quinlan (Former WTA pro-turned actress Bold and the Beautiful).

Tennis pros confirmed to play alongside Evert include longtime friend and fellow International Hall of Famer Martina

Navratilova and former French Open doubles champion Luke Jensen.

The Classic weekend kicks off with a Friday morning Pro-Am, followed by the Classic Cocktail Party that evening, poolside, overlooking the Marina. Saturday begins with celebrity tennis at the Delray Beach Tennis Center, followed by a star-studded Gala that evening. After the celebrity red-carpet arrivals, guests will enjoy dinner, dancing, and a live and silent auction. Dazzling the audience with musical entertainment, will be the legendary Barry Gibb, one of the most successful rock and roll performers of all time. Sunday will be the grand finale of the weekend's two days of celebrity tennis.

Last year, the 2018 Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic raised an amazing \$800,000 dollars. Since 1989, Chris Evert's efforts have contributed over \$25 million in an ongoing campaign against drug abuse and child neglect in Florida. With the help of loyal and generous sponsors, participating celebrities, legions of volunteers and a dedicated staff, Chris Evert continues to raise money for programs funded through the Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida and the Drug Abuse Foundation of Palm Beach Country.

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Tickets for this year's event are now on sale and range in price from \$20 to \$900. Purchase tickets online at [www.chrisevert.org/tickets](http://www.chrisevert.org/tickets)/or call 561-394-2400.

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