



14th Annual NADS Luncheon & Fashion Show

A Star Is Born Information Guide

What: Benefit for NADS - This fundraiser helps to financially support the programs and services NADS provides to children and adults with Down syndrome and their families.

When: Sunday, October 27, 2019

- 10:30 Registration Opens & Raffle Sales and Silent Auction Begins
- 11:30 Luncheon Seating Opens
- 12:00 Lunch Served
- 12:45 Models Begin to Arrive
- 1:00 Raffle Sales and Silent Auction Closes & Fashion Show Begins
- 2:00 Fashion Show Finale

Where: Donald E. Stephens Convention Center North Ballroom, Rosemont, Illinois

Parking: Parking will be at the indoor parking facility located directly across from the convention center which is connected by a sky-bridge to the ballroom. Parking is included in the cost of our menu package. The cost of valet parking may be available, but will not be included in your ticket.

Reservations & Seating:

Reservations must be made online at nads.org. Tickets will be available for purchase after July 1st

*****Please note that there are changes to our ticketing process this year. PLEASE encourage your family and friends to take advantage of our early bird pricing. Adult ticket prices will increase after September 15th. Model meals are provided at no cost. Please note on the model form what meal you would like if taking advantage of this option.**

Individual Ticket Prices:

***Early Bird Pricing:** \$65 per adult/\$40 per child (10 years old & under) if purchased by September 15th

*\$75 per adult/\$40 per child (10 years old & under) if purchased between Sept. 16th-Sept. 30th

*\$100 per adult/\$40 per child (10 years old and under) if purchased on October 1st or later

Tables of 10:

**Please note that these prices are based on tables of 10, regardless of whether adults or children are seated at the table. Highchairs are considered a spot. Children's meal prices do not pertain, however you will be required to note when purchasing how many children's meals are needed at the table.

***Early Bird Pricing:** \$600 if purchased by September 15th

*\$700 if purchased between Sept. 16th-Sept. 30th

* \$900 if purchased October 1st or later

Runway Tables:

**Please note that these prices are based on tables of 10, regardless of whether adults or children are seated at the table. Highchairs are considered a spot. Children's meal prices do not pertain, however you will be required to note when purchasing how many children's meals are needed at the table. There are a limited number of runway tables, so purchase is on a first come first serve basis.

***Early Bird Pricing:** \$1,000/table of 10

*\$1,200/table of 10 if purchased between Sept. 16th-Sept. 30th

*\$1,500/table of 10 if purchased October 1st or later

-Ticket price includes the lunch and complimentary parking in the adjacent parking garage. The lunch menu served would be similar to past years; a chicken entree, salad, and chocolate cake for dessert. If you purchase a child ticket, the menu will be a salad, chicken tenders/fries and chocolate cake for dessert. We will take requests for guests that have dietary restrictions that include gluten free or vegetarian.

-All guests planning to be seated with your family/group will need to have purchased a ticket. For models eating free, just note your choice on the model form. Anyone who does not have a ticket will not be allowed into the ballroom. All models will need to arrive by 12:45 pm.

-We will send an email to all model families with a list of guests who have made reservations requesting seating with the model family/group the week before the show.

Silent Auction/Raffle Items:

The NADS Fashion Show is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year and in order for it to be as successful as it has been for many years, we need your help! We do not have a model entry fee; however, we do require that all models help us in obtaining items for our silent auction/raffle by choosing one of the following options. We thank you tremendously for your help and appreciate any donation(s) you provide!

- 1) A donation (\$75 minimum estimated value) for the silent auction or raffle by October 1. Donations can be gift certificates (hotel, restaurant, merchandise), tickets for sporting events, electronics, household items, etc. Donations can be obtained by asking friends, family members, and businesses that you patronize. We can help these businesses that provide gift cards or donations by placing their business cards in our auction/raffle baskets.

We also have a NADS Fashion Show Amazon Wish List to help make sending in a donation easier! If you choose this option, your items will be shipped to Erin Komacki's home to be placed in a raffle basket. Please visit the link below:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3EDDDSOVYWA3U?ref=cm_sw_em_r_wl_mw_q56CsnD2aFUTn

- 2) A \$150 monetary donation made payable to NADS. This donation will assist in purchasing any additional raffle items or event related materials.
- 3) A \$250+ Corporate Sponsor - If you are interested in this option, please email fashionshow@nads.org for a sponsorship packet. Details of the ad options will be described in the sponsorship packet along with a solicitation packet.
- 4) Manage a First Giving fundraising page collecting a minimum of \$150 in donations. Pages will only be created upon request for those interested in this option.

-The Auction/Raffle Committee will begin collecting all donations immediately and the committee will determine whether items will be used for the silent auction or raffle. **Donations are due on October 1st. It is the responsibility of the model family to transport, mail, or make arrangements for items to be dropped off at the Auction/Raffle Committee home in Elgin or at the NADS Office.**

Model Clothing: In order to express the models personality along with a burst of fashion, we are asking that each participant select their own choice of clothing this year. There is no need to report the outfit that the model is wearing. Since this is our 14th year in celebrating the fashion show, it would be nice to "showcase" our models with style. Please dress for Sunday's best. We recommend

something other than sports paraphernalia, jeans, lounge wear, Halloween costumes or any type of uniform. Please try to be unique and creative, including the use of props and accessories.

Runway/Escorts: Siblings are welcome to participate. Each family will be responsible for making arrangements for an escort and/or supervision for their child/children. Escorts and/or siblings outfits can be coordinated with the model or dressed in white tops and black bottoms. It will be necessary that each model be supervised by an adult before and during and the fashion show. Models will not be able to be seated at the luncheon and receive a meal unless they have purchased a reserved seat.

The runway is in a “U” shape so models start on one side and exit the other side so everyone in the room has an opportunity to see all of the models on the runway. Models will be asked to meet in the model room to begin lining up at 12:50 so models will have time to change outfits after the lunch is served.

Photos: Each family needs to submit photos of your child. Photos will be used for the slide shows, program, script identification, and decorations. Please submit no more than five photos. One photo will be used in the program book. **If you have a preference as to which photo you would like used in the program, please let us know, if not the committee will choose which picture to use.** The photo used in the program book will be similar to a wallet size so it should be a close-up. The more contrast in the photo will provide a better image in the program. Additional photos can be your child alone or with family and friends. If possible, please submit photos in jpeg format with high resolution. **All five photos should be sent electronically to: fashionshow@nads.org no later than September 15th. If we do not receive photographs prior to this date, a photo will not be included in the show.**

Model Information Form: The Model Information Sheet is an online form that must be completed to confirm your spot in the show. We have streamlined the information gathering process so it is less burdensome on the model family. Please visit the following link to complete your information.

https://www.cognitofrms.com/Nads1/_2019FashionShowModelInformation

*****Online Model Form must be submitted by September 1st to confirm your spot in the show.**

Photography: Photography arrangements are being made for a photographer to take photos of models and guests before and during the fashion show.

Thank you very much for your interest and participation in our 14th annual show! Please contact us fashionshow@nads.org with any questions!

~Fashion Show Committee