Autism Awareness Month Event 2016
April 21, 2016
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
*Pre-show screening starts at 5:30 pm

Tom Harkin Global Communications Center
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Road, NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

CDC’s National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Autism Speaks, Autism Society of Georgia, The Autism Foundation of Georgia, Atlanta Autism Consortium, Inc., and the Emory Autism Center invite you to join us for an event featuring:

**Edward Asner**
Award-winning actor, autism advocate, parent, and grandparent

**Matthew Asner**
Award-winning producer, autism advocate, and parent

**The Father’s Perspective: A Panel Discussion**
A discussion with fathers about their experiences as parents of children who have autism

**Autism through the Arts**
A musical performance by students from Laura Nadine’s Enlightened Audio Academy

*With a special pre-show viewing of highlights from Edward Asner’s long-standing and highly esteemed acting career*

This event is free and open to the public.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Non-US citizens must register by March 10, 2016
US citizens must register by April 12, 2016
Please visit to register https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-autism-awareness-month-event-tickets-21491463546

For more information, please contact Phyllis Nichols: 404-498-3874 or PNichols@cdc.gov

Edward Asner
Seven-time Emmy Award winning actor Edward Asner is a versatile, committed, eloquent and talented actor and activist. He is perhaps best known for his role as Lou Grant on the Mary Tyler Moore Show and Lou Grant Show. Most recently, Mr. Asner toured the country as Franklin Delano Roosevelt in the critically acclaimed one man show FDR for the past five plus years. As an accomplished actor with a career that spans decades, Mr. Asner is also the recipient of five Golden Globe Awards, a Screen Actors Guild Lifetime Achievement Award, and was inducted into the TV Academy Hall of Fame. As a father of a young adult with autism and grandfather of children who have autism, one of Mr. Asner’s proudest accomplishments also includes becoming a formidable advocate for children, adults and families living with autism.

Matthew Asner
Matthew Asner grew up on TV sets, watching his father Edward Asner in action. His love for the arts and music led him to perform and also produce and direct award-winning documentaries. Matthew’s documentaries have included interviews with President Bill Clinton, countless celebrities, and over 100 Holocaust and Hiroshima survivors. In 2008, his world was changed forever when his youngest son was diagnosed with autism. Matthew left his successful film career and began dedicating himself to the millions of people affected by autism and related disorders. He and his wife also have two other sons who have autism. Matthew continues to produce award-winning short films related to autism, hosts his own talk show On the Spectrum, and serves as a Director of Corporate Development for Autism Speaks.