

EVENTS DETAILS



REED Charitable Foundation's October 2020 Events

October is Dyslexia Awareness Month and [The REED Charitable Foundation](#) (RCF) was prepared to celebrate their *Inaugural Dyslexia Experience & Gala: The Artists*.

However, this year's pandemic forced RCF to reimagine our approach; fortunately, thinking differently is in our DNA. The inspiration for October's events derive solely from the strength and determination of dyslexic children – they are the reason we could change course into what will ultimately be a better format for our great cause.

100% of the proceeds from October's events will be used to train Orange County Public Schools' educators in the Orton-Gillingham teaching approach for reading, writing, and spelling. This time-honored approach greatly improves outcomes for all students, especially our beloved dyslexic little ones.

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REED Charitable Foundation's Inaugural Dyslexia Experience: The Artists

Friday, October 23, 7-8PM EDT

\$25/family

Too often we focus on the struggles of dyslexia - this night is *all* about the strengths! Parents, teachers, students, and anyone looking for a fun night at home will be inspired and empowered through this uplifting showcase of dyslexic strengths.

Special guests will share their powerful stories and talents from their homes, creating a warm atmosphere for this unique event. Young attendees are guaranteed to be interested and entertained (and hopefully hold their sweet heads up a little higher at the end of the night) while adults will come away understanding dyslexic children on a deeper level. Everyone will leave *The Experience* with new perspectives, visions of the greatness inside every dyslexic person, and a vocabulary for deeper conversations about dyslexia between educators, friends, and family.

Attendees of *The Inaugural Dyslexia Experience: The Artists* will enjoy:

- RCF's one-of-a-kind Dyslexic Art Gallery featuring 84 original works in various mediums from 71 artists around the world
- Performances and insightful discussions by four incredible dyslexic artists:
 - [AJ Bellabona](#) (16-year-old jewelry artist)
 - [Benjamin Russo](#) (9-year-old Rubik's Cube portrait artist)
 - [Evan Struck](#) (America's youngest speed painter)
 - [Everett Thorn](#) (Owner of [Skuul Fashion](#))
- Inspiring stories from guests like [Bodhi Bragonier](#), Youth Ambassador at [NoticeAbility](#), on the dyslexic experience & how dyslexic strengths can be used to one's advantage
- Chances to win valuable prizes through virtual raffles games, including merchandise from our highlighted artists

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REED Charitable Foundation's *Inaugural Dyslexia Gala: The Artists*

Saturday, October 24, 6:30-8PM EDT

\$100/family, or \$110 for both the Experience and the Gala

Finally, an opportunity to really make a difference in the world! The high-end RCF *Gala* is an opportunity to be entertained by incredible talent, learn even more about dyslexia, participate in exclusive events, and so much more.

Attendees will have the chance to win incredible prizes (ranging from artwork featured in the RCF Dyslexic Art Gallery to exclusive vacation packages) right from their own home through the virtual silent auction, virtual live auctions with a professional auctioneer, and virtual raffle. Those in attendance will enjoy a keynote address by a renowned education advocate and receive an update on what RCF is doing in Central Florida from the teachers and families who have benefitted from RCF. Finally, attendees will end the night with private entertainment from a country music singer/songwriter.

Attendees of *The Inaugural Dyslexia Gala: The Artists* will enjoy:

- RCF's one-of-a-kind Dyslexic Art Gallery featuring 84 original works in various mediums from 71 artists around the world
- Multiple Silent Auctions of More than 60 Exquisite Items
- Multiple Live Auctions led by Professional Auctioneer [Alan Frenkel](#)
- Multiple Raffles for Exclusive Prizes, Including a Pair of 1.4 Carat Diamond Earrings from the International Diamond Center (valued at \$5,000)
- Keynote Address by [Dean Bragonier](#) (from [NoticeAbility](#) & [TEDx](#)): The True Gifts of a Dyslexic Mind
- Acoustic performance from country music singer/songwriter, [Larry Fleet](#)

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