



Stone Soup: Gathering Community, Nourishing Children

Friday, March 20, 2020
7:30-9:00 am
The Curtis, 1405 Curtis Street, Denver



Be a sponsor of
Mile High Early Learning's
2020 Stone Soup Breakfast

BEYOND WORDS



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: MINH LÊ

Minh Lê is the author of *Drawn Together*—winner of numerous awards including the 2019 Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature—illustrated by Caldecott Medalist Dan Santat.

“A beautifully told and illustrated story about a grandson and grandfather struggling to communicate across divides of language, age, and culture.”

– Viet Thanh Nguyen, Pulitzer Prize winner for *The Sympathizer*, on *Drawn Together*

Minh is also a federal early childhood policy expert who has worked in education at the national, state, and local level—both in and out of the classroom. He received his bachelor’s in Psychology from Dartmouth College and received a master’s in Ed Policy from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

His other titles include *Let Me Finish!* (an NPR Best Book of 2016) and *The Perfect Seat* illustrated by Gus Gordon. He has been published in the New York Times, The Horn Book, Huffpost, and NPR. Outside of spending time with his amazing wife and sons, Minh’s favorite place to be is in the middle of a good book.



HONOREES: WALTER AND CHRISTIE ISENBERG

Demonstrating the spirit of humanity locally, nationally, and around the world.

The co-founder of Sage Hospitality, Walter Isenberg serves as the company’s President and Chief Executive Officer. Christie Isenberg is President of Amp the Cause (formerly Concerts For Kids) which helps support over 40 child focused organizations. The Isenbergs are tireless supporters of charitable organizations through their volunteer work, advocacy, leadership, and philanthropy.

2020 STONE SOUP COMMITTEE

Cindy Abramson Kristy Adams Susan Burks
Rachele Espiritu Anna Jo Haynes

All proceeds of this annual event support Mile High Early Learning’s mission: to enable all children to succeed in school by providing resources and education to inspire a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency.



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2020 Sponsorship Levels and Pledge Form

STONE SOUP 2020 PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$15,000

- VIP table of 10 with premier seating
- Brief podium address
- Banner at the event
- Front page logo on program and full page ad
- Name / logo on invitations*
- Name / logo on event website

CHEF DE CUISINE: \$10,000

- VIP table of 10 with premier seating
- Recognition from the podium during the event
- Banner at the event
- Front page logo on program and full page ad
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EXECUTIVE CHEF: \$7,500

- VIP table of 10 with premier seating
- Recognition from the podium during the event
- Front page logo on program and full page ad
- Name on invitations*
- Name / logo on event website

SOUS CHEF: \$5,000

- Table of 10 with prime location
- Recognition from the podium during the event
- Full page ad in program
- Name on invitations*
- Name / logo on event web site

CHEF DE PARTIE: \$2,500

- Table of 10 at the event
- Recognition on site at the event
- Half page ad in program
- Name and logo on event web site

COMMIS CHEF: \$1,500

- Table of 10 at the event
- Name in program

Name:

Address:

Phone:

email:

Sponsor Level

(check one):

- Stone Soup 2018 Presenting Sponsor: \$15,000
- Chef de Cuisine Sponsor: \$10,000
- Executive Chef Sponsor: \$7,500
- Sous Chef Sponsor: \$5,000
- Chef de Partie Sponsor: \$2,500
- Commis Chef Sponsor: \$1,500

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Checks may be payable to:
Mile High Early Learning

mail to:
Mile High Early Learning
Attention: Nathan Harlan
1799 Pennsylvania Street, 4th Floor
Denver, CO 80203

**information for invitations needed by February 2, 2020*





Mile High Early Learning serves more than 7,000 children and families annually

Providing High Quality Early Education

Mile High Early Learning offers high quality year-round programs to children ages 6 weeks to 5 years in seven early learning centers that are in some of Denver's poorest neighborhoods.

- **623 infants, toddlers, and preschoolers** participated in our Montessori Inspired early learning programs at these centers this past year.
- **92% of families** live at or below the Federal Poverty Level (\$25,750 for a family of four).
- Our two drop-in child care centers—Denver Warm Welcome Court Child Care and Good Beginnings at Denver Human Services—had a **combined 5,698 visits**.



Engaging Parents and Family, Friend, & Neighbors

Through **Babies Ready for College** and its suite of programs, we serve almost 700 parents and caregivers and their children each year—equipping parents and caregivers with vital information about how children's brains grow and ways to facilitate that growth so that their children will succeed in school.

Training Early Childhood Educators

We provide education and training with hands-on practical experiences to early learning professionals through our nationally recognized Professional Learning Center, which includes our three continuing education programs:

- **Child Development Associate**
- Inclusive Practices in **Early Childhood Credential**
- **Master of Arts** in Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences

Embedding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in our Programs



Our vision through all of our programming is that children, families, and staff of all racial, cultural, economic, and social backgrounds are joyfully welcomed into a learning community that prioritizes equity and finds strength in diversity. We are committed to ongoing professional learning for staff with a focus on Race and Equity, and this work is helping our staff to build new and important skills that address equity.