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NAMI: NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

## JOIN US FOR A STIMULATING AND ENTERTAINING EVENING

NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to improving the lives of more than 15 million Americans living with serious mental illnesses and their families. Founded in 1979, NAMI has become the nation's voice on mental illness.

With affiliates in every state and over 1,000 local communities across the country, NAMI provides education and support through its advocacy and research.

DATE & TIME Wednesday, October 14, 2009 | 7:30 pm

PLACE Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium

1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

**EVENT** 5th Annual Gala Dinner

Presentation of the Mind of America Scientific Research Award Honoring Dr. William Carpenter

SPECIAL GUEST Suzanne Malveaux, CNN White House Correspondent

**DRESS** Cocktail Attire

CO CHAIRS Ann Pincus, Ken Harvey, Cathy Hughes

The **5th Annual Gala** celebrates NAMI's work and commitment to progress. The presentation of this year's *Mind of America Scientific Research Award* will go to Dr. William Carpenter for his groundbreaking research which has made a significant contribution to a better understanding and treatment of mental illness, particularly schizophrenia.

The prestigious audience includes members of Congress, political leaders, sports figures, the corporate sector, academia, the media, community leaders and scientists and researchers from across the country. The event provides networking opportunities with an audience as impressive as our honoree and speakers.

New this year is a **Silent Auction** featuring a variety of unique and interesting items. Proceeds from the Gala benefit NAMI programs.

For more information, please call Susan Gaffney at 703-516-7967.



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