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**PRESENTING MICKEY ROWE, AUTISM SELF-
ADVOCATE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTOR**

TUES, OCT 23, 2018 • MILLENNIUM CENTER

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

101 W 5th Street, Winston-Salem

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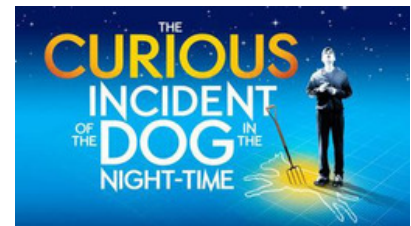
EVENT INFORMATION

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Now in its eleventh year, ABC of NC's Gourmet Lunchbox Lunch will be held Tuesday, October 23, 2018 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Millennium Center (101 W 5th Street, Winston-Salem). This year, ABC of NC presents **Mickey Rowe**, an autism self-advocate and professional actor. Rowe is famously the first actor with autism to play Christopher Boone in *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, a Tony-winning Best Play that tells the story of a young man who has autism, and his quest to determine how his neighbor's dog wound up dead. Rowe's casting marked a milestone moment in the theater.

... A mesmerizing and nearly flawless performance. ... Rowe's portrayal of Christopher almost immediately has the audience eating out of his hand, simultaneously rooting for him, put off by him, admiring him and pitying him as he struggles to conquer a world he cannot truly comprehend. -A Seat On The Aisle



ORGANIZATION PROFILE

ABC of NC is a nonprofit center committed to providing high-quality, diagnostic, therapeutic, and educational services to people with autism spectrum disorder (autism/ASD); ensuring service accessibility to individuals from any economic background; offering support and hope to families; and advocating for inclusion and acceptance. Since 2002, Triad area families in search of answers in the face of an autism diagnosis have found help and hope through ABC of NC, the only comprehensive provider of autism specific diagnostic, therapeutic, and educational services in the area. Each year, ABC of NC serves more than 350 children and families from 18 NC counties annually.

In July 2018, thanks to a successful capital campaign, ABC of NC completed construction on the *SECU Autism Clinic* and the *Burress Activity Center*. These new buildings join an existing education center, establishing the region's only comprehensive autism services campus and moving the Piedmont Triad to the forefront of high-quality autism service delivery.

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ABC of NC's Gourmet Lunchbox Lunch, the organization's largest annual fundraiser, introduces the community to ABC of NC and the services we provide to children with autism and their families. Past Gourmet Lunchbox Lunches have featured Dr. Maya Angelou (2013); Ron Suskind, author of *Life, Animated* (2014); Jason Katims, creator and executive producer of the hit television show *Parenthood* (2015); Doug Flutie, football great and autism parent (2016); and Matt Savage, autism self-advocate and jazz pianist (2017). Each year, the lunch attracts more than 500 attendees and raises vital financial support to sustain and advance the organization.

For more information about how you can sponsor the Gourmet Lunchbox Lunch, advertise in the event program, or host a table, please contact Casey Raymer at casey.raymer@abcofnc.org or 3336-251-1180 ext. 116.