

IAJF HOLDS 13TH ANNUAL GALA

On November 6, 2014, The Iranian American Jewish Federation of New York (IAJF) held its 13th Annual Gala at Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center, New York City. 1,000 guests joined in celebrating the achievements of the IAJF and to stand united with Israel.

The program began with an uplifting comedy act led by comedian Elon Gold. The National Anthems were performed by talented soloist, Noy Sossover. Israel's Consul General of Israel in New York, Ambassador Ido Aharoni, recognized the important work of the community on behalf of the State of Israel. The panel of speakers included former Israeli Ambassador to the United States, Michael Oren, and Wall Street Journal Foreign Affairs Columnist Bret Stephens. Each delivered a powerful and inspirational speech followed by a lively Q&A session. The emotional portion of the evening was the personal story of Sgt. Tal Ifrach, z"l who was killed in combat at the age of 21 during Operation Protective Edge. The audience was moved when his sister Noy, alongside her mother, Aviva, shared their heartfelt story. The musical portion of the program consisted of two unique pieces performed by Composer and Pianist Tania Eshaghoff Friedberg and ensemble.

The IAJF also hosted an exclusive After Party at the Henry at Hudson Hotel for young professionals who attended the Gala. Over 200 guests met and networked with their peers.

Due to the generosity of our community, the IAJF raised a record breaking amount of over \$4.1 million in 2014, bringing total funds raised since 2002 to \$30 million for the benefit of 170 organizations, primarily in Israel. IAJF also continues to sponsor local activities and projects and to strengthen the community



IAJF Board Members with Special Guests



IAJF 13th Annual Gala at Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center, NY City



Master of Ceremonies, Comedian Elon Gold



Soloist Noy Sossover performing the National Anthems



Ambassador Ido Aharoni, Consul General of Israel in NY



Noy Perri and Aviva Levi with IAJF President Shahram Yaghoubzadeh, during moment of silence

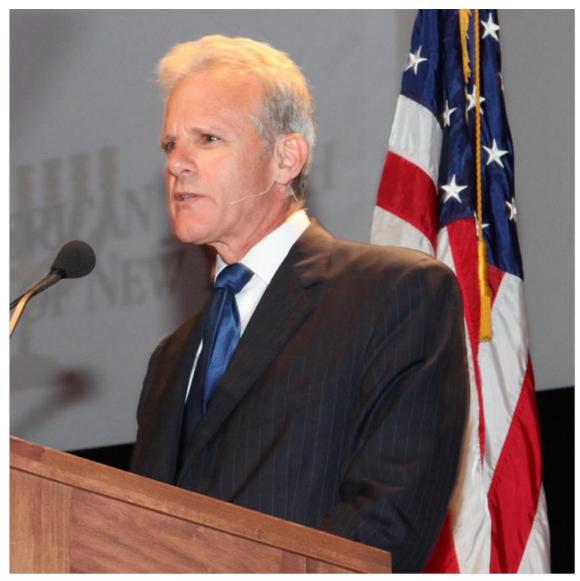


Composer and Pianist Tania Eshaghoff and Ensemble





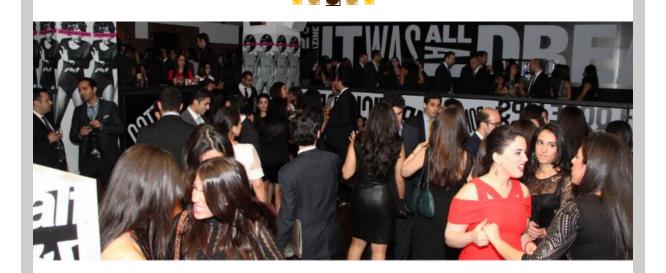
Special Guest Speaker, Bret Stephens, Foreign Affairs Columnist



Keynote Speaker, Ambassador Michael Oren



Q & A Session with Ambassador Michael Oren and Bret Stephens Moderated by IAJF Vice President Steven Khadavi



Young Leadership Division Gala After Party at the Hudson Hotel