

Program

“Spirit of Humanity Gala”

Gala’s Emcees:

- Ms. Glenda Lewis, WXYZ TV News Anchor
- Attorney Isaac Robinson, AHRC Secretary

U.S. National Anthem:

- Ms. Yasmine Suri, Artist & Singer

Welcome Remarks:

- Ms. Brenda Jones, President, Detroit City Council
- John O’Reilly, Mayor of Dearborn and Chief Roland Haddad, Dearborn Police Department
- H. E. Ambassador Dr. Clovis Maksoud

AHRC Remarks:

- Dr. Opada Alzohaili, AHRC President
Introduction of AHRC Board Members

Special Presentation:

- Congresswoman Debbie Dingell

Keynote Speaker:

- UN Under-Secretary, Ms. Rima Khalaf

Special Message:

- Jim Bentley, Executive Director
Parental Rights.Org (Remarks & Video)

Awards Ceremony & Special Presentations:

- Imad Hamad, AHRC Executive Director
- AHRC Spirit of Humanity Award Presentations
- AHRC Special Guests of Honor Presentation

A Message of Hope:

- Khodr Farhat

Invocation:

- Imam Mustapha Elturk and Rev. Rani Abdelmaseeh

Art Exhibition:

- By Iraqi-American artist Mr. Haydar Alyasiry

Closing Remarks & Dinner

Program order may change as needed. Present officials will be recognized during the program. Officials’ recognition to AHRC & awardees will be acknowledged.



Glenda Lewis joined the WXYZ-TV/Channel 7 news team on September 1, 2003, as a general assignment reporter and the co-anchor of Action News Sunday at 6 and 11pm. She is currently co-anchor of The NOW at 4pm on Ch. 7 and 7 Action News at 10pm on TV20 Detroit.

Glenda received multiple Emmy nominations in 2005 and 2006 and was the recipient of Emmy’s for Breaking News and Best Weekend Newscast. Glenda was also honored with Michigan Association of Broadcasters Awards for Breaking News and Best Newscast in 2006.

Glenda and her mother, veteran anchor Diana Lewis, were adopted into the Detroit history by the city council for being the first mother and daughter anchor team in the country.



In Loving Memory

Kayla Mueller, an American humanitarian aid worker from Prescott, Arizona, was killed by the IS "Islamic State" terrorist group while volunteering to help Syrian refugees displaced due to the civil war. Kayla is a role model in her dedication to serving humanity. She represents America at its best, working tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of people in need. The American Human Rights Council (AHRC-USA) is committed to honoring Kayla's life, sacrifices, and legacy by recognizing fellow humanitarians working hard to promote, protect, and advance human rights with an award bearing her name.