

TRADITIONAL HOME MAGAZINE PRESENTS 11th ANNUAL CLASSIC WOMAN AWARDS IN NEW YORK CITY ON NOVEMBER 2

*Rebecca Jarvis of ABC News to Co-Host Event That Celebrates
Extraordinary Women and the Spirit of Volunteerism*

NEW YORK (October 26, 2015) — *Traditional Home* Editor-in-Chief Ann Omgig Maine, along with co-host **Rebecca Jarvis** of ABC News, will honor five remarkable women at the magazine's annual Classic Woman Awards event on **Monday, November 2**, at The Refectory at The High Line Hotel in New York City, beginning at 6:00 p.m. EST. The event will honor recipients of the magazine's 11th annual Classic Woman Awards, a signature program that celebrates the spirit of volunteerism by recognizing standout charitable women from across the country. These phenomenal women are also featured in the magazine's November/December issue, on newsstands November 3, 2015.

Nominations for the Classic Woman Awards were made by *Traditional Home* readers from across the nation. The magazine's editors and a panel of judges then hand-picked these five incredible women who truly are changing the world. Each of them was confronted with someone else's need, and each decided to commit a huge piece of her own life to fill it—giving hope to cancer patients, meaningful employment opportunities to people with disabilities and a chance at a better future to kids in her neighborhood and on the other side of the world.

“Traditional Home is honored again this year to celebrate caring women who have unselfishly and compassionately chosen to take action to help improve the lives of others in their communities and beyond,” says Editor-in-Chief Ann Omgig Maine. “These heroic women are making a better future by giving themselves to the present.”

Rebecca Jarvis is Chief Business and Economics Correspondent for ABC News and creator and anchor of "Real Biz with Rebecca Jarvis." She has interviewed some of the most well-known business professionals and philanthropists of our time, including Sheryl Sandberg, Mark Cuban, Richard Branson, Diane Von Furstenberg, Bill and Melinda Gates and Deepak Chopra. In line with the mission of Traditional Home's Classic Woman Awards, she has received national recognition for her work with Colin Powell to empower children and improve communities.

The 2015 Traditional Home Classic Woman Awards honorees and their causes:

- **Jane Newman**, of **Warwick, NY** founded **The Thorn Tree Project**, a nonprofit charity that helps educate Samburu children in Africa through a series of mobile preschools, dormitories that allow children to regularly attend primary schools and a scholarship program that lets students continue their education in high school, technical school or college (www.thorntreeproject.com).
- **Mary K. Hoodhood** of **Grand Rapids, MI** founded **Kids' Food Basket**, to provide take-home evening meals to 7,000 children each weeknight at more than 35 schools in Michigan. The nonprofit is now the largest childhood anti-hunger organization in the state (www.kidsfoodbasket.org).

- **Valerie Jensen** of **Ridgefield, CT** founded the **Prospector Theater**, providing employment and educational opportunities for adults with disabilities. Inspired by her younger sister with Down syndrome, Jensen raised nearly \$30 million to refurbish an old building and turn it into a nonprofit state-of-the-art movie theater staffed by adults with disabilities (www.prospectorthheater.org).
- **Maimah Karmo** of **Aldie, VA** founded the **Tigerlily Foundation**, a national nonprofit organization with more than 300 volunteers, which provides support and empowerment to young women across the country before, during and after breast cancer (www.tigerlilyfoundation.org).
- **Michele Stumpe** of **Atlanta, GA** founded the nonprofit **Children of Conservation** to help African wildlife sanctuaries and educate African children. The Children of Conservation philosophy is educating a child who has grown up surrounded by an understanding of the value of conservation will build a community of future conservation leaders (www.childrenofconservation.org).

In addition to inclusion in the November/December 2015 issue of *Traditional Home* and a trip for two to New York City for the awards event, the five honorees will also receive a contribution from Traditional Home for their causes. Sponsors of the 2015 Classic Woman Awards program are Kravet, Lenox and Simon Pearce.

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