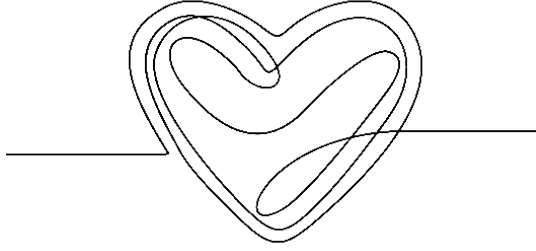


# Abbott House

is a special place; a place that welcomes and builds lasting foundations of support for children, families and adults with complex needs. The heart of our work is about helping human beings recover from deep trauma, or intervening to prevent trauma in the first place.

## Family comes first at Abbott House.

We work hard to reunite families, create new ones and make promising futures a reality so those entrusted to our care feel a sense of belonging rooted in hope and community.



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# Loving Arms Awards Dinner



October 26, 2021  
Tarrytown, NY

# 2021 Honorees

## Jill Hayes & The Hayes Family *Dignity of Family Life Award*



Jill Hayes is a well-respected adoption attorney, having practiced in Family Court for over 25 years. She and her

husband John are longtime Briarcliff residents and loyal Abbott House volunteers and benefactors. They have consistently instilled in their children the incredible power of giving back. Their volunteer work at Abbott House often involves the entire family whether renovating an art space, leading a pottery class, fundraising, but above all, raising awareness for our mission. The Hayes children have become young leaders in their community, spearheading projects with the Family First Club at Briarcliff High School and even launching an initiative called the Home Sac, a keepsake bag that is given to children in foster care immediately after their adoption.

## Annabel Romero Hernandez *Friend of Abbott House Award*



Annabel Romero was born and raised in Mexico City before moving to the US to earn her PhD in Structural Biology.

She works as a Scientist at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals and is currently studying how antibodies bind proteins of interest in human diseases. When not involved in new scientific discoveries, Annabel is creating art. In 2016, she launched Opuntia Visual, a space for communicating scientific and cultural topics using artistic illustrations. Since then, Annabel has donated 100% of the proceeds from two limited-edition print runs directly to Abbott House. In addition, she took on the role of Team Leader for Regeneron's Annual Day for Doing Good (D4DG) volunteer event in 2018 and again in 2021. Annabel does not miss a moment to share her time and talent.

## Darren Morris *Dr. Joseph M. Pastore, Jr. Difference-Maker Award*



Darren's connection to Abbott House runs deep. He is a former foster youth in care at Abbott House, and his adoptive father worked at our agency for over 20

years. Today, Darren is a successful small business owner, full-time Starbucks Store Manager, and founder of *A Foster's Hope*, an organization dedicated to the success and healing of former and current foster care youth. Despite his full schedule, Darren has collected hundreds of holiday gifts, school supplies, and bicycles for Abbott House. He also has been instrumental in helping us secure funding through grants, donations, and corporate partnerships. Darren will continue to use his voice to advocate for foster care youth through *A Foster's Hope*.

Abbott House cordially invites you to attend the

## Loving Arms Awards Dinner

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021

5:30PM - 9:30PM

HONORING:

**Jill Hayes & The Hayes Family  
Annabel Romero Hernandez  
Darren Morris**



In order to maintain a safe environment, upon arrival **all attendees will be required to show proof of vaccination, or a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours of October 26th.**

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Silent Auction | Raffle | Wine Pull

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