



Her Royal Highness The Princess of Hanover accepts **UNICEF'S** 2006 Children's Champion Award

Boston's Museum of Fine Arts provided the backdrop for a gala black-tie event at which Her Royal Highness The Princess of Hanover (Princess Caroline of Monaco) was honored with the Children's Champion Award by the New England Chapter of the U.S. Fund for UNICEF and raised in excess of \$250,000 for the cause.

While paying a heartfelt tribute to a group of Nepalese mothers whose determination and courage helped vaccinate a nation's youth against the measles, The Princess of Hanover likened the struggle to protect the world's children from myriad threats and challenges to a mountain climb. "In our struggle we, like the women of Nepal, face Himalayan challenges...our mission is to mobilize the conscience of the world on behalf of children," She said.

"Our guiding principle is the quality of the legacy we shall leave to those who will inherit this ever-smaller planet of ours."

The Princess of Hanover evoked Her deep American ties and said that She held America and western democracies to the highest standards in setting a good example for the world to follow.

"We live in countries whose official policies directly or indirectly destroy more children's lives than we can ever hope to save. We can't be child advocates and feel comfortable with that." But I hold our societies and ourselves to a higher standard. Partly because I know that in our societies we can actually get things done! Our freedom gives us power, and a duty to use it to make essential changes."

The award recognized Her longstanding dedication to helping the world's children, in particular in Her capacity as President of AMADE (World Association of Children's Friends) and She accepted the award on behalf of the volunteers and AMADE's Secretary-General, Mr. Francis Kasasa, who accompanied the Princess of Hanover to the event.



Mrs. Sally Cottingham (Gala Chair), H.R.H. The Princess of Hanover and Mr. Charles Lyons (Pres., US Fund for UNICEF) Photo by: R. Farrington

AMADE Mondiale (an acronym for the French, Association Mondiale des Amis De l'Enfance) was established in 1963 by H.S.H. Princess Grace of Monaco as a non-profit child-advocacy NGO to promote and protect the rights of the children of the world through humanitarian aid programs and now boasts 23 branches across the globe. Princess Grace once referred to AMADE as "a word easy to remember as it sounds like "amour" (love in French)."

The Princess of Hanover, was named President of AMADE in 1993, and UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador in 2003. His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco is Honorary President and also an active fundraiser and supporter of AMADE.

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AMADE Mondiale, headquartered in Monaco, has become an internationally recognized nongovernmental organization with consultative status with UNICEF, UNESCO and the United Nations Economic Social Council and with participative status with the Council of Europe.

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