

#### Redfish! Big Bend! Bighorn Sheep! And the Next Fifty!

These are just a few of the **wild things and wild places** that will be celebrated on Saturday, March 29, 2014 when Texas Parks and Wildlife will present the Texas Conservation Hall of Fame at the Friedkin Corporate Campus in Houston, Texas.

This year's dinner will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and will feature special guest entertainment Tim McGraw and Faith Hill. It promises to be an extraordinary night that will honor 50 years of conserving Texas' wild things and wild places, generate critical support for priority projects that meaningfully conserve Texas' rich lands, waters and wildlife, and explore what the next 50 years may have in store.

The Conservation Hall of Fame benefits Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation, whose mission is to conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for current and future generations. As you may know, last year's Hall of Fame raised an unprecedented \$1 million for conservation, advancing priority projects like the reestablishment of a healthy Pronghorn population in the Trans-Pecos; conserving Texas rivers; safeguarding the endangered Kemp's ridley sea turtle; and supporting Texas State Parks to connect families back to nature.

We hope you can join us in making the 2014 Conservation Hall of Fame a celebration to remember. It is a special opportunity to provide a fitting tribute to one of our state's most outstanding organizations, safeguard Texas' exceptional natural treasures, and enjoy a spectacular evening among like-minded friends.

Please reserve your table by completing and mailing the enclosed reply card. Thank you for your partnership - we look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Debra and Dan Friedkin

Event Chairs





# LEVELS of SUPPORT

## TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION HALL OF FAME DINNER

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2014
HOUSTON, TEXAS

special guest entertainment

TIM McGRAW & FAITH HILL



### NEXT FIFTY \$50,000 LEVEL

If there is anything left here of a golden age, varmints and nonvarmints and trees and shrubs and grasses and waters and soils and rocks have everything to do with it. They make the place work, sometimes for me but mainly for its own sake and the world's. They were here before me and they will be here when I'm gone.

John Graves, Texas author and naturalist

Imagine the next fifty years.

#### **Benefits**

Priority seating for two tables of ten Recognition in the event invitation Recognition in the event program Special recognition at the event



### REDFISH \$25,000 LEVEL

Red Drum, also known as Redfish, is one of the most popular and abundant saltwater game fish in Texas, but it was not always this way.

After commercial fishing sent stocks to alarming lows, H.B. 100 "the Redfish bill" in 1981 designated Red Drum as game fish and prohibited their sale. Bill passage was championed by passionate advocates like Perry R. Bass. From 1983-2011, TPWD hatcheries released 624 million Red Drum into Texas waters.

#### **Benefits**

Priority seating for table of ten Recognition in the event invitation Recognition in the event program



### BIG BEND \$10,000 LEVEL

The rugged Chihuahuan Desert wilderness of Big Bend is revered for its spectacular backcountry areas and perfect for miles of hiking, backpacking, and rafting on the legendary Rio Grande River.

In 1988, TPWD purchased 215,000 acres to form Big Bend State Park. It was the largest land tract ever acquired by TPWD and doubled Texas State Park acreage to 311,000 acres.

#### **Benefits**

Seating for table of ten Recognition in the event invitation Recognition in the event program



## \$5,000 LEVEL

The steep, rocky terrain of West Texas is home to the agile desert bighorn sheep. Once plentiful, they suffered severe losses and by the 1960's were no longer found in the region.

In 2011, TPWD completed the largest desert bighorn sheep relocation in its history, capturing and releasing 95 animals into Big Bend State Park. TPWD biologists' research indicates desert bighorns are flourishing again.

#### **Benefits**

Seating for table of ten Recognition in the event program <u>Limited number available</u>; call to confirm

## TPW EVENT CHAIRS Debra & Dan Friedkin

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Ramona & Lee Bass

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by Choosing Your Level of Support









NEXT FIFTY \$50,000 REDFISH \$25,000

BIG BEND \$10,000

BIGHORN SHEEP \$5,000

Limited availability; please call

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#### Please reply by January 31, 2014.

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