

# Milwaukee Press Club: Sponsorship and advertising opportunities now available honor Manu Raju, Tommy G. Thompson with the Milwaukee Press Club

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- Support the Gridiron Awards Dinner
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The Milwaukee Press Club, one of the oldest continuously operating press clubs in the world, will host its annual Gridiron Awards Dinner on Friday, May 6 at The Pfister Hotel in Milwaukee. This year's event will be timely, poignant, and not-to-be missed.

We are pleased to welcome this year's Sacred Cat award winner, **Manu Raju** and headliner, former Wisconsin Governor **Tommy G. Thompson**.

Raju is a journalist who serves as the Chief Congressional Correspondent at the news network CNN, covering the United States Congress and campaign politics. Raju was a top Capitol Hill reporter at Politico and *The Hill* newspaper. He also is a frequent guest on political talk shows on TV and radio. He has won multiple journalism awards including the White House Correspondents Association's Merriman Smith award for presidential reporting in 2012, and first prize in beat reporting from the Society of Professional Journalists in D.C. for his coverage of the 2014 midterm elections. In 2017, Raju was honored with the Joan Shorenstein Barone award, given annually for best congressional reporting by the Radio and Televisions Correspondent Association. In 2021, Raju was part of a team of CNN

journalists who were selected as winners of the David Bloom Award by the Radio-Television Correspondents Association for their coverage of the January 6 Capitol attack.

This year's Headliner Awards will be presented to former Wisconsin Governor Tommy G. Thompson. Headliner Awards are bestowed annually to local newsmakers who are making a positive difference.

There are three ways to get involved with the Gridiron Awards event and support the Milwaukee Press Club's journalistic mission, and students pursuing careers in journalism:

- **Become a Sponsor**

To show your support for the honorees and the Press Club's more than 300 professional members, there are three event sponsor levels, each offering different benefits. Sponsors will enjoy exposure at this well-attended event, as well as seats at the event. [For more information on sponsorship click here.](#)

- **Advertise in *Once A Year***

For those interested in celebrating the honorees, the annual ***Once A Year*** magazine will be published to recognize these award winners and support the Club. For more than 125 years, this magazine has provided an important record for the club and has been mailed to Club members and community leaders as a keepsake. To view a copy of last year's *Once A Year* magazine [click here.](#)

- **Host a Table**

Tables include tickets for eight and excellent recognition at the event. (\$1,000)

This event also recognizes the Press Club Endowment's Annual Excellence in Wisconsin Journalism award winners. Most importantly, proceeds from this event help to ensure the quality of Southeastern Wisconsin's journalistic community for years to come through college scholarships, mentoring, professional development and industry advocacy.

[Click here](#) for more information and forms on the sponsorship and advertising opportunities. Ad and sponsorship deadline, **Friday, March 25, 2022.**

For more information, contact Joette Richards with your questions at [joette@milwaukeepressclub.org](mailto:joette@milwaukeepressclub.org) or (262) 894-2224.