

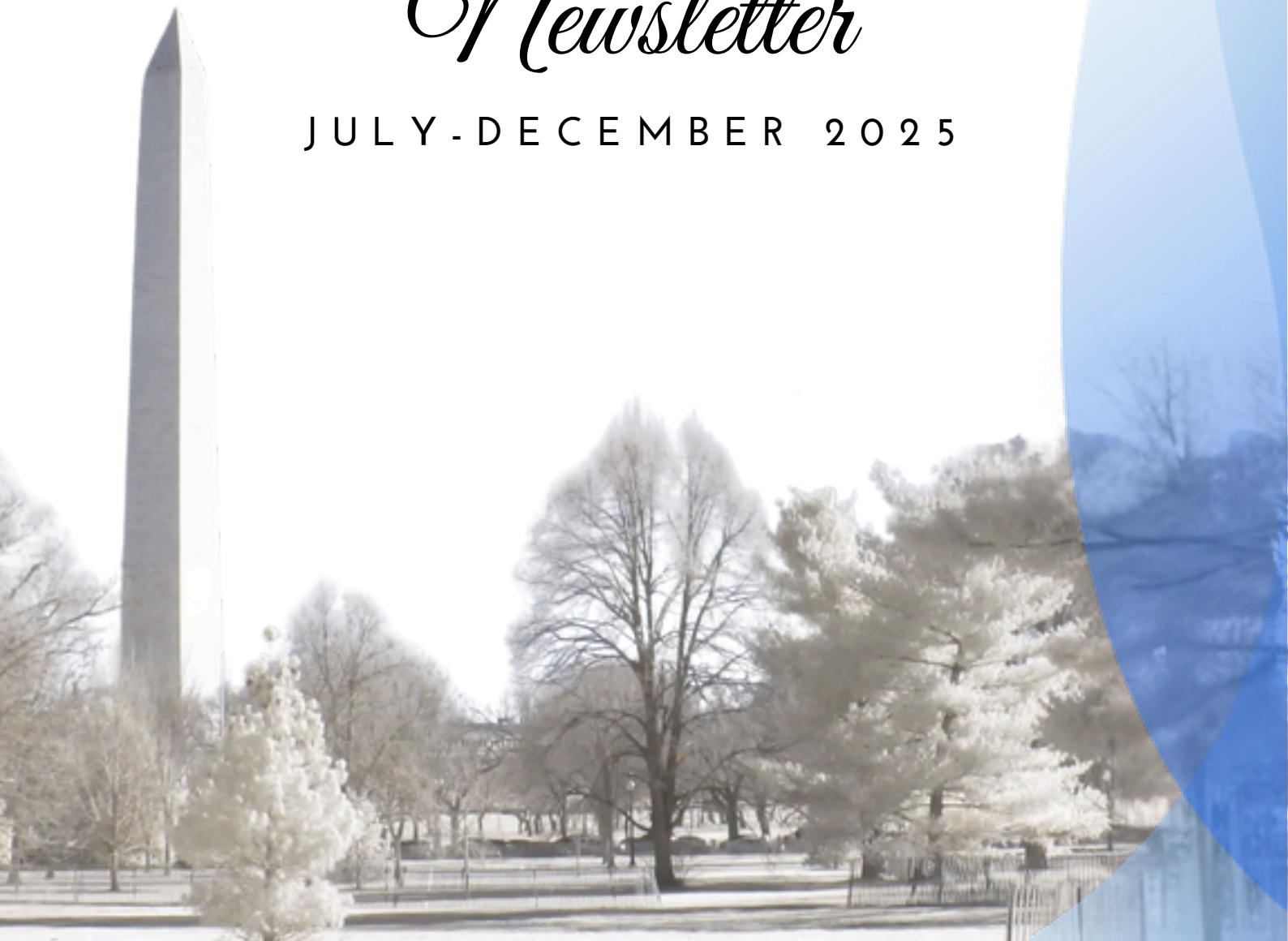


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Women Envoys to Washington Welcome the New U.S. Chief of Protocol

July 31, 2025

Ambassador Maccario Doyle joined fellow women ambassadors at an elegant dinner hosted by H.E. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Ambassador of Ireland, and H.E. Mathilde Mukantabana, Ambassador of Rwanda, to welcome the incoming **U.S. Chief of Protocol, Monica Crowley**.

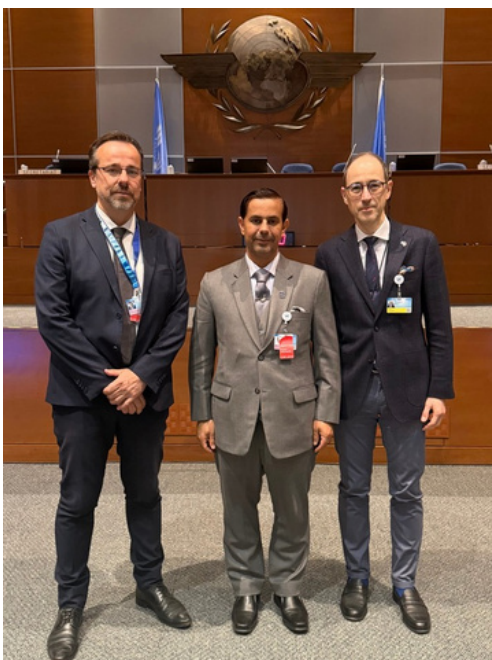
A wonderful evening celebrating diplomacy, leadership, and the strength of the women envoys' community in Washington.



Amb. Maccario Doyle; Amb. Geraldine Byrne Nason (Ireland); Chief of Protocol of the United States Monica Crowley; Amb. Mathilde Mukantabana (Rwanda); Susan Davis, Founder & Chair, SDI

The Principality of Monaco at the 42nd ICAO Assembly

September 23-October 3, 2025



Jérôme Journet; Naif Ali Hamad Al Abri, President of the ICAO Assembly; Jean-Philippe Bertani

The 42nd Assembly of the **International Civil Aviation Organization** (ICAO), held in Montreal, brought together a record 192 Member States to address key issues shaping the future of global air transport: the decarbonization of the sector, the development of sustainable aviation fuels (SAF), advanced air mobility, as well as safety, gender equality, and multilingualism.

Jean-Philippe Bertani, Deputy Head of Mission and Permanent Representative of the Principality of Monaco to ICAO, led the Monegasque delegation alongside Mr. Jérôme Journet, Director of Civil Aviation of Monaco. The delegation also held several bilateral meetings, notably with Singapore, focusing on the regulation of new electric aircraft (eVTOL) and the development of SAF.

During the closing session, Mr. Bertani delivered a statement reaffirming the Princely Government's priorities regarding climate action and sustainability.



H.S.H. Prince Albert II Addresses the United Nations General Assembly

September 24, 2025

H.S.H. Prince Albert II delivered his address to the **80th session of the United Nations General Assembly** in New York and reaffirmed Monaco's deep commitment to women's rights and gender equality.

"True to its commitment to human rights and the dignity of everyone, Monaco has always supported international efforts to advance equality between women and men."

The Sovereign was joined by Isabelle Berro-Amadeï, Monaco's Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation; Isabelle Picco, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Monaco to the UN; and Julie Donati, advisor in the Prince's cabinet.



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Celebrating Qatar's New Embassy

October 21, 2025



Giovanni Pasini, Dana al Fardan; Mayes Ahmad Al Thani; Amb. Maguy Maccario Doyle; Amb. Talal Al Rahbi (Oman); Amb. Dina Kawar (Jordan)

Monaco's Ambassador had the honor of attending the gala dinner hosted by H.E. Sheikh Meshal Al-Thani, Ambassador of the State of **Qatar** to the United States, marking the opening of Qatar's new embassy in Washington.

The evening blended diplomacy, music, and cultural dialogue — highlighted by an evocative performance by composer Dana Al Fardan.



Strengthening International Dialogue...

July 24, 2025 - Oman

The Embassy of Monaco had the honor of welcoming a government delegation from **Oman**. Led by **Dr. Abdullah Al Amri**, President of the Environment Authority of Oman, discussions focused on ocean protection, innovation in the blue economy, and upcoming collaborations with National Geographic Pristine Seas, represented by its founder and Executive Director, **Dr. Enric Sala**.

Mrs. Farah Al Raisi, Counsellor/Political Advisor, Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman; Dr. Abdullah Ali Al Amri; Amb. Maccario Doyle; Dr. Enric Sala



September 18, 2025 - Singapore

On a courtesy visit to the Monaco Embassy, exchanges with Mr. Yap Ong Heng, Special Envoy and Senior Advisor of the Minister for Transport of **Singapore**, centered on sustainable transport, aviation innovation, and maritime decarbonization – reaffirming shared priorities ahead of the ICAO Assembly in Montréal.

Jean-Philippe Bertani; Yap Ong Heng; Amb. Maccario Doyle; Lau Bee Juan, Int'l Relations & Security, Singapore Ministry of Transport

September 4, 2025 - Francophonie Ambassadors Group (GAF)

The quarterly meeting of the **Francophonie Ambassadors Group** attended by Ambassador Maccario Doyle and fellow ambassadors of the Francophonie welcomed the organization's new President, H.E. Sidibé Fatoumata Kaba, Ambassador of the Republic of Guinea.

The meeting, graciously hosted by H.E. Ibrahima Touré, Ambassador of the Ivory Coast, left all participants inspired by the spirit of Francophonie and our shared commitment to dialogue and cooperation.





... and New Connections

August 26 – Reception for Mrs. Christine Lagarde

A pleasure to welcome **Christine Lagarde, President of the European Central Bank**, back to Washington, D.C., at a reception graciously hosted by **Adrienne Arsht**.

Her inspiring contribution to the *Blue Economy & Finance Forum* in Monaco last June continues to resonate as we work together toward a more sustainable future.



September 8 – Economic Club of Washington – Global Energy & Investment Dialogue



The **Economic Club of Washington, D.C.** hosted an insightful discussion where David Rubenstein interviewed **H.E. Yasir Al-Rumayyan**, Governor of Saudi Arabia’s Public Investment Fund and Chairman of Saudi Aramco on shaping the future of global investment and energy transition.

September 21 – YPO Los Angeles Chapter – President’s Retreat Dinner

The Ambassador hosted members of the **Young Presidents’ Organization (YPO) LA Chapter** at the Residence of Monaco, together with special guest **H.E. Talal Al Rahbi, Ambassador of Oman**, who studied and lived in Louisiana.

Gathering nearly 90 leading executives under 50, the retreat offered a moment to exchange on leadership, diplomacy, and international cooperation. Their visit included key meetings and ceremonies across Washington.





Polar Initiative – Safeguarding the Arctic and Antarctic

September 22, 2025

Ambassador Maccario Doyle had the honor to attend an event organized in New York City by the **Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation** in support of the **Polar Initiative**. An inspiring panel of experts – Dr. John Holdren, Dr. Sue Natali, Edward Alexander, Charitie Ropati, and Prof. Gail Whiteman – explored how science, policy, and community leadership can shape the future of the Arctic & Antarctic.

With the 5th International Polar Year (2032–33) on the horizon, the call is clear: we must work collectively – researchers, policymakers, philanthropists, and Indigenous voices – to protect these vital regions for the planet and for future generations.



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Prince Albert II at WSJ Journal House

September 23, 2025



H.S.H. **Prince Albert II**, alongside National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence **Dr. Enric Sala**, participated in a high-level conversation at the **Wall Street Journal's Journal House** hosted by **Editor-in-Chief Emma Tucker**, discussing the urgent need for global action on ocean protection and climate change.

Highlighting Monaco's pioneering scientific legacy, the Prince emphasized the importance of science-based policy, innovative financing, and international partnerships such as Pristine Seas, the ReOcean Fund, and the Blue Economy Finance Forum.

The session drew significant engagement from the international community gathered for UNGA.



In Tribute to Dr. Jane Goodall – A Last Encounter at UNGA

September 23, 2025

H.S.H. Prince Albert II, Ambassador Maccario Doyle, Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation's President Olivier Wenden and National Geographic's Dr. Enric Sala, were fortunate to meet **Dr. Jane Goodall** one last time on September 23 during the Wall Street Journal's UNGA event. Her presence was, as always, a reminder of compassion, courage, and our shared responsibility for the natural world.

In 2008, the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation awarded her its very first Prize for her outstanding commitment to the environment. JB Kelly, President of the Foundation's US branch, represented the Sovereign at Dr. Goodall's Celebration of Life on November 12 at the Washington National Cathedral.



HSH Prince Albert II; Dr. Jane Goodall; Dr. Enric Sala



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Fish Shop DC – Art, Sustainability & Culinary Creativity

October 8, 2025



Amb. Maccario Doyle; Bee Emmott;
H.E. Talal Al Rahbi

Ambassador Maccario Doyle attended the opening of **Fish Shop bar & restaurant** in Washington DC, the newest concept by Artfarm/Hauser & Wirth, where art, food, and sustainability come together seamlessly. Fish Shop set out to create a genuinely low-waste restaurant, sourcing the freshest, ethically-sourced seafood and showcasing the finest local craftsmanship from the surrounding area.

The Ambassador had the pleasure to meet Bee Emmott, CEO of Artfarm, and reflect on the shared values that resonate with the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, in particular its Good Fish program promoting responsible seafood and ocean health. Also in attendance was Oman Ambassador Talal Al Rahbi, whose nation shares Monaco's commitment to protecting the world's blue ecosystems.

PA2F Awards in London – Celebrating Environmental Leadership

October 17, 2025

In the presence of the Sovereign Prince, the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation held its **18th Planetary Health Awards Ceremony** in London.

Since 2008, the Foundation's Awards pays tribute to leading individuals and organizations for their contribution to preserving our planet, in each of the Foundation's three priority areas: awareness, science and innovation.

The US branch of the Foundation was represented by its President, JB Kelly, Vice-President Amb. Maguy Maccario Doyle and Treasurer Nancy Bugos.



HSH Prince Albert II and the 2025 laureates of the FPA2 Planetary Health Awards
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Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital (DCEFF)

November 12, 2025

Ambassador Maccario Doyle had the honor to attend a celebration event and exhibition at the **Embassy of Sweden** in honor of the **Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital** – the world's premier showcase of environmentally themed films and an inspiring celebration of the extraordinary impact of environmental storytelling.

The Ambassador had the privilege to address this remarkable gathering and to highlight Monaco's century-long dedication to ocean science, conservation, and climate action through the work of the Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation.

Storytelling remains one of our greatest tools for fostering empathy and driving collective action. Together, we can shape a more sustainable future.



Ambassador of Sweden H.E. Urban Ahlin & H.E. Maguy Maccario Doyle



Dennis Kucinich, former U.S. Representative (OH); Alexandra and JB Kelly; Amb. Maccario Doyle; Maryam Henson, VP, Philanthropic Partnerships, Pew Charitable Trust

Cirque du Soleil - A Night of Circus Magic

September 11, 2025



What a magical night at **Cirque du Soleil** in Tysons Corner near Washington DC where **Luiza** shone on stage with so much talent and joy!

Monaco has a very special connection to the circus world: H.S.H. Prince Rainier III founded the Monte-Carlo International Circus Festival nearly 50 years ago, celebrating artistry and daring. And today, his daughter H.S.H. Princess Stephanie of Monaco is its President and the Honorary President of the Fédération Mondiale du Cirque.

From Prince Rainier's vision to Guy Laliberté's Cirque du Soleil, the magic of the circus continues to inspire across generations and across the world.

Reston Station – Celebrating Artist Lorenzo Quinn

September 15, 2025

Ambassador Maccario Doyle attended the special opening of JW Marriott Reston Station in Virginia and unveiling of world-renowned artist **Lorenzo Quinn**'s sculpture "Building Bridges", a replica of his monumental work of the same name in Venice, Italy.

The piece depicts six sets of hands joined in pairs. Each pair of hands represents one of the universal values of the human being: friendship, wisdom, help, faith, hope and love.

Lorenzo Quinn has had multiple public and gallery exhibitions in Monaco with pieces that never fail to inspire.



Amb. Maccario Doyle; Lorenzo Quinn; Joel Melchiori, Counselor, Embassy of Italy

Siri Hustvedt Awarded the 2025 Principality Prize

October 14, 2025



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Best-selling American author **Siri Hustvedt** received the 2025 Principality Prize (*Prix de la Principauté*) jointly awarded by the Prince Pierre Foundation and Les Rencontres Philosophiques de Monaco. The award recognizes her lifetime contributions to philosophical thought and literature.

Hustvedt delivered her keynote lecture “Between” at the Théâtre des Variétés in Monaco exploring the profound links between body and mind, nature and culture.

Friends of IHES 2025 Cinema & Mathematics Gala

October 28, 2025

The Friends of IHES (Institut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques) hosted a memorable **2025 Cinema & Mathematics Gala** at the Plaza Hotel in New York City, under the high patronage of Laurent Bili, Ambassador of France to the United States, and Cédrik Fouriscot, Consul General of France in New York. The evening highlighted the profound and often unexpected connections between scientific discovery and artistic creation.

Hosted by Tracy Day and Brian Greene, co-founders of the World Science Festival, the gala brought together leading figures from science and the arts. Among the distinguished guests were **H.S.H. Prince Albert II**, Nobel Laureate Kip Thorne, Fields Medalist Hugo Duminil-Copin, filmmaker Matt Brown, and leaders of the World Science Festival.



***Icebreakers* Team meets with H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco in New York City**

October 28, 2025

Icebreakers, an upcoming documentary about the pioneering women who formed the **first U.S. Women's Bobsled Team**, filmed a segment at the Consulate General of Monaco in New York with a special interview with H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco—a five-time Olympian bobsledder and lifelong advocate for athletes and women in sports. Prince Albert met with members of the original *Icebreakers* team decades after their time on the track. The *Icebreakers* fondly remember the Prince and his team as kind, generous, and supportive sportsmen.



The original Icebreakers team with HSH Prince Albert II
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Icebreakers documentary tells the untold story of women athletes who entered a male-dominated sport with no experience and no funding—only fearless resolve. Their unlikely rise shattered expectations when Jill Bakken and Vonetta Flowers achieved a milestone by winning the first-ever Olympic gold medal in the sport of women's bobsled. Bakken, the youngest driver in bobsledding history, started her career at just 16.



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Princess Grace Awards Gala: Celebrating Excellence in the Arts

October 29, 2025

Under the chandeliers of The Plaza in New York City, the Princess Grace Foundation-USA celebrated artistry and philanthropy at its **2025 Princess Grace Awards Gala**. Presided by **H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco** and hosted by **Constance Wu**, the event honored close to twenty rising stars in theater, dance, and film.

The evening's top distinction, the Prince Rainier III Award, was presented to filmmaker **Jon M. Chu**—marking the first time a former Princess Grace Award recipient (Film, 2001) has received the honor. Princess Grace Statue Awards were presented to Isabella Boylston (Dance) and Sky Hopinka (Film).

Notable attendees included Rosanna Arquette, Paul Tazewell, Isabella Boylston, Jessica Vosk, Tiler Peck, and Roman Mejia, among other leading artists, and a distinguished circle of guests, including Chris Le Vine & family, H.E. Talal Al Rahbi, H.E. Maguy Maccario Doyle, Stacy & Greg Lill, Calvin & Frances Fayard, Shwan & Hande Kassim, and H.E. Youssef Amrani.



Mr. Jon Chu; Hon. Gildo Pallanca Pastor; H.E. Isabelle Picco; H.S.H. Prince Albert II; H.E. Maguy Maccario Doyle



H.E. Talal Al Rahbi; H.E. Maguy Maccario Doyle; Greg & Stacy Lill; Shwan & Hande Kassim; Calvin & Frances Fayard

Honoring Gary Pudney – A Lifetime of Cultural Partnership

October 30, 2025



Gary Pudney; H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco

At a private ceremony held at the Consulate General of Monaco in New York, **Gary Pudney** was presented with the honorific distinction “**Chevalier de l’Ordre de Grimaldi**” by H.S.H. Prince Albert II in recognition of his longstanding commitment to Monaco and the Princely Family.

A celebrated television executive and producer, Gary Pudney helped bring Monaco to the world stage through his work with the World Music Awards and the Monte-Carlo Television Festival. He also served with great dedication as an Arts Advisor to the Princess Grace Foundation–USA, helping preserve and promote Princess Grace’s legacy in the arts.

We were especially honored by the presence of screen legend **Michael Douglas**, who joined in applauding Gary’s remarkable career and decades of friendship with the Princely Family.

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Michael Douglas; Paul Beirne; Gary Pudney; H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco; H.E. Maguy Maccario Doyle



Patricia Matson; Jazmin Grimaldi; Michael Douglas; Gary Pudney

Green Sands Equity – Innovation at the San Francisco Opera House

November 10, 2025



Green Sands Equity hosted an innovation and technology summit at the San Francisco Opera House, bringing together leaders from **technology, space exploration, and healthcare**. The event focused on the future of technology, with discussions on AI, mid-space exploration, and deep tech featuring representatives from NASA, Axiom Space, NVIDIA, Google Cloud, Paradromics and the MIT Media Lab.

The gathering was described as a "remarkable gathering of visionaries shaping the future of technology and humanity".

Reema Khan, Founder & CEO, Green Sands Equity

Reception Celebrates Monaco's National Day in New York City

November 18, 2025

The **Consulate General of Monaco in New York and the Princess Grace Foundation-USA** kicked off the holiday season together at Steinway & Sons in celebration of "**La Fête du Prince**", Monaco's National Day. The festive gathering brought together friends of Monaco, along with donors, trustees and Princess Grace Award winners. The evening's highlight was an exquisite performance by Princess Grace Award Winner **Soprano Christine Lyons** (Theater 2025) and her pianist Meg Zervoulis, who presented selections from the great American Songbook alongside beloved French classics.



48th Kennedy Center Honors for Lifetime Artistic Achievements

December 7, 2025

Ambassador Maccario Doyle had the honor of attending **the 48th Kennedy Center Honors** – a remarkable celebration of artistic excellence and enduring power of culture to connect and inspire.

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The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts celebrated five extraordinary Honorees at the event, recognizing their lifetime of artistic achievement: country music icon **George Strait**, legendary rock band **KISS** (Paul Stanley, Gene Simmons, Peter Criss, Ace Frehley), Tony-award winning stage and screen star **Michael Crawford**, Grammy-winning disco pioneer **Gloria Gaynor**, blockbuster film powerhouse and Hollywood icon **Sylvester Stallone**.



Amb. Maguy Maccario Doyle; Amb. Talal Al Rahbi (Oman); Adrienne Arsht; Amb. Jovita Neliupšienė (EU)



Amb. Geraldine Byrne Nason (Ireland); Amb. Talal Al Rahbi (Oman); Amb. Maguy Maccario Doyle

The Kennedy Center Honors recognizes and celebrates individuals whose unique artistic contributions have shaped our world. Recipients have each had an impact on the rich tapestry of American life and culture through the performing arts. Whether in music, dance, theater, opera, motion pictures, or television, each Kennedy Center Honoree has a unique influence that has inspired audiences from all walks of life.



H.E. Charles Kushner Presents Credentials as U.S. Ambassador to Monaco

October 27, 2025

H.E. Charles Kushner, the newly appointed Ambassador of the United States of America to France and Monaco, officially presented his credentials to **H.S.H. Prince Albert II** on October 27 at the Prince’s Palace.

The formal ceremony took place in the presence of **H.S.H. Princess Charlene**, along with senior Monaco officials including Secretary of State Yvette Lambin-Berti, Chief of Staff Christophe Steiner, Government Advisor–Minister of External Relations and Cooperation Isabelle Berro-Amadeï, and U.S. Consul General Jessica Huaracayo.

Following the presentation of credentials, Prince Albert II and Princess Charlene attended a luncheon in honor of the ambassador and his wife Seryl at the residence of the **Minister of State, H.E. Christophe Mirmand**.

Ambassador Kushner brings a distinguished career in business, philanthropy, and public service.



H.S.H. Prince Albert II & H.E. Charles Kushner

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Foreign Min. Isabelle Berro-Amadeï; Mrs. Seryl Kushner; H.E. Charles Kushner; TT.SS.HH. Prince Albert & Princess Charlene, H.E. Christophe Mirmand

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La Fête du Prince - Monaco's National Day

November 19, 2025

Festivities surrounding **La Fête du Prince**, the Principality's National Day, included an opening cocktail reception at the Yacht Club de Monaco, a moving Te Deum at the Monaco Cathedral – a cherished tradition that beautifully anchors National Day in reflection and unity – and a special tribute show to Josephine Baker, 50 years after her passing, at the Grimaldi Forum, celebrating her deep and enduring bond with Monaco.

From the vibrant drum parade to the dazzling fireworks and a magnificent evening at the Opera, Monaco's National Day was a celebration of the country's history, independence, and enduring spirit. Ambassador Maccario Doyle was grateful for the company of several U.S. Honorary Consuls, dear friends who made the day even more special: Greg & Stacy Lill (Seattle), Tomas & Maria Abreu (Miami), Raffaella De Laurentiis (Los Angeles), Calvin & Frances Fayard (New Orleans) and Jonathan Warren (Las Vegas).

Viva Monegu!

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