



TOWN & GOWN  
OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

TOWN AND GOWN OF USC'S  
120<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024  
RECEPTION AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

*Followed by*  
LUNCHEON AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON  
ENTERTAINMENT BY  
ADAM CHESTER  
THE TROJAN MARCHING BAND  
HONORING PAST AND PRESENT SCHOLARS

*The Town and Gown Ballroom*  
*665 W. Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90089*

\$120/PERSON

*RSVP*

YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUESTED BY MARCH 26, 2024  
TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT, PLEASE CONTACT KARI MAY  
(213) 626-9070 OR ADMINISTRATOR@TOWNANDGOWNOFUSC.ORG

OR USE THE QR CODE



## ADAM CHESTER

Since 2005, Adam has been privileged to work with Sir Elton John and his band, singing and playing in place of Elton for Elton's band rehearsals and various live events. While Elton is Sir Elton, the band fondly refers to Adam as their "Surrogate Elton," or SUR Elton.

In November 2022, Adam had the honor and joy to sing backup vocals and play Elton's piano live on stage at Dodger Stadium, as Elton stood in front of the piano to sing his classic hit, "Don't Go Breaking My Heart," with the original co-singer, Kiki Dee. This was Elton's final American concert ever on his Farewell Tour and was recorded live for Disney Plus. Adam played this role again at the Glastonbury Festival in 2023, when Elton sang in front of 135,000 people! That's the size of TWO Dodger Stadiums!!

During the 2020 quarantine period, Adam's Quaranchella concerts, created with his wife, Maria Chester, were streamed LIVE all over the world, raising over \$20,000 for various non-profit organizations. The shows received national and international press coverage, including *CBS This Morning* with Gayle King, and featured numerous guest musicians, including Michael McDonald from the Doobie Brothers, Lisa Loeb, Davey Johnstone from Elton John's band, saxophonist Dave Koz, and many others.

Adam is a proud alumnus of USC where he received his B.A. in Music in 1985.

## TROJAN MARCHING BAND

The USC Trojan Marching Band was founded in 1880 and, at 300+ strong, is now the largest spirit organization on the USC campus. The TMB has played at every Trojan football game, home or away, since 1987 and represents USC to the community with 300 performances annually. The band has performed for nine U.S. Presidents, played at three Super Bowls, and visited 19 countries on six continents.

The TMB is known as "Hollywood's Band" for its frequent appearances in movies (including *Forrest Gump* and *The Naked Gun*) and on television (*The Masked Singer*, *Carpool Karaoke*, and *The Tonight Show*, to name a few). The TMB is the only collegiate marching band to claim two platinum albums for its work with Fleetwood Mac and recently appeared with Olivia Rodrigo in her concert film, *Sour Prom*. The band is complemented by USC Song, the USC Spirit Leaders, and USC's mascot, Traveler.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY PROCEEDS WILL ENDOW THE TOWN AND GOWN OF USC TECHNOLOGY GRANT

The Town and Gown of USC Technology Grant will provide need-based grants for the purchase of computers. Eligible students must be new USC freshmen or incoming transfer students, demonstrate financial need, and be permanent residents of Southern California. Recipients will be selected by the USC Financial Aid Office.