## ASM 150 Keynote Speakers

## **Opening Ceremonies Keynote Speaker**

Featuring **STEPHEN LEWIS**, c.c.

Celebrated Humanitarian Former UN Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa



Stephen Lewis is one of Canada's most influential commentators on social affairs, international development and human rights. He researches his talks with obsessive care, enlivens them with personal anecdotes, and is both passionate and political.

Mr. Lewis is the board chair of the Stephen Lewis Foundation; is a professor of practice in global governance at the Institute for the Study of International Development at McGill University; is a distinguished visiting professor at Ryerson University; is the co-founder and co-director of AIDS-Free World in the United States; and is the former UN special envoy for AIDS in Africa.

Mr. Lewis is a senior fellow of the Enough Project. He is an immediate past member of the board of directors of the Clinton Health Access Initiative, and emeritus board member of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative. He served as a commissioner on the Global Commission on HIV and the Law.

Mr. Lewis's work with the United Nations spanned more than two decades. He was the UN Secretary-General's special envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa from June 2001 until the end of 2006. From 1995 to 1999, Mr. Lewis was deputy executive director of UNICEF at the organization's global headquarters in New York. From 1984 through 1988, he was Canada's ambassador to the United Nations.

From 1970-1978, Mr. Lewis was leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party, during which time he became leader of the official Opposition.

Mr. Lewis is the author of the bestselling book *Race Against Time*. He holds 37 honorary degrees from Canadian universities, as well as honorary degrees from Dartmouth College and Johns Hopkins University.

In 2012, Mr. Lewis was an inaugural recipient of Canada's Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

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Friday Morning Keynote Speaker

Featuring
STEVEN PAGE
Iconic Musician



Steven Page is a natural in front of a crowd. Having shot to international fame as the co-founder of The Barenaked Ladies, Page now boasts an impressive solo career, where he continues to showcase his creative genius. A witty, endearing and searingly honest speaker, Page continues to earn his rightful place in our national conversation.

Page spent over two decades with The Barenaked Ladies, writing and co-writing hit songs such as "One Week," "The Old Apartment," "If I Had \$1,000,000," and "Brian Wilson," among dozens of others. Along the way, the band earned accolades from all over the world, sold millions of albums, received two Billboard Awards and six Juno Awards.

As an independent artist, Page has recorded three albums – *The Vanity Project, A Singer Must Die* (in collaboration with the *Art of Time Ensemble*), and *Page One* – and has written music for both theatre and film. He also spoken at TEDx Toronto in 2012, and became the host of television's popular program, *The Illegal Eater*, in 2013.

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