

# STARLIGHT SAFARI & SERENGETI NIGHTS

Presented by:

**The Brain Injury Association of Arizona**

*Imagine your world changing in an instant. You are no longer the person you once were. The changes may be subtle; they may not appear for days or weeks after the injury. You look fine, but you're not. You are easily confused, your personality changes, you cannot concentrate, remember, or make the simplest of decisions. You may have suffered a stroke, loss of consciousness, or the slightest concussion. Where you've come from and what's happened doesn't matter. You are 1 of 1.4 million people in America who have suffered a brain injury every year. Caused by stroke, tumors, and traumatic injuries, in Arizona alone, someone is affected by a brain injury every 14 seconds. Traumatic brain injury is the signature injury of the Iraqi War. In a four-month period Walter Reed Hospital found that 62% of the veterans screened had sustained a brain injury. It has led to the early demise of the careers of high profile athletes like Trent Green and Troy Aikman.*

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## FACT SHEET

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**Date:** March 15, 2008

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. Silent Auction

7:30 Dinner

**Location:** Phoenix Zoo Stonehouse Pavilion

**Featuring:**

Silent Auction & Themed Dinner

African Music & Entertainment & Awards

Presentation

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The Starlight Safari is BIAAZ's annual fundraising event and awards ceremony. BIAAZ's mission is to assist individuals in adjusting to their life after an injury. Your brain is who you are; it controls how you move, what you remember, how you communicate and what you think. The funds raised through this event contribute significantly to BIAAZ's ability to provide information and referral services, community outreach, support group facilitation, emergency funds, and prevention activities.

Each year BIAAZ presents the following honors:

**Progress Award**

Recognizes an organization that has made significant contributions to the care, treatment and/or rehabilitation of persons who have sustained a brain injury.

**Triumph Award**

Recognizes survivors of brain injuries who demonstrate outstanding courage and determination in the face of the injury and who serve as an inspiration to fellow brain injury survivors.

**Advocacy Award**

Recognizes an individual who has worked tirelessly to promote a better understanding of brain injuries and the rights of survivors and families.

**Healer Award**

Recognizes an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the care, treatment and/or rehabilitation of persons with brain injuries.

## TICKET AND SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

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Zebra's Spirit Survivor Table Sponsorship - \$1,500  
Elephant's Honor Sponsorship - \$3,000  
Tiger's Distinction - \$5,000  
Eagle's Excellence - \$10,000  
Lion's Pride - \$20,000

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Triumph Honorees Table Feature - \$250  
Single Table without sponsorship - \$1,500

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Single Tickets - \$150.00

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