# 2026 CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY *Event*

## AN AUTISM DISCUSSION WITH *Dr. Temple Grandin*

WEDNESDAY | SEP 16 | 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM

PARK AVENUE CLUB, FLORHAM PARK, NJ
184 Park Ave, Florham Park, NJ 07932

**6:00 - 7:00 pm | Welcome Reception**

**7:00 - 7:45 pm | Keynote Speaker Presentation**

**7:45 - 8:30 pm | Q&A, Meet the Speaker**

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## Caring for Our Community Event Series

**Two powerful evenings. Two transformative topics. One unwavering mission.**

Join world-renowned autistic advocate and animal science professor Dr. Temple Grandin for an honest, hopeful discussion about neurodiversity, behavioral health, and the many ways of being human. Her insights will reframe how we see autism—not as a deficit, but as a different kind of brilliance.

## Speaker:



### Dr. Temple Grandin

Dr. Temple Grandin is a professor of animal science at Colorado State University. When she was two and a half years old, she had no speech and all the symptoms of severe autism. Early intensive speech therapy enabled her to speak by age four. Her mother always encouraged her interest in art and urged her to draw many different things. Good teachers and mentors were essential for Temple's success. Her high school science teacher challenged her with interesting projects where she had to figure out how to make things work. When studying in school became a pathway to becoming a scientist, she was motivated to study.

An HBO movie titled Temple Grandin was made about her life and Temple was inducted into The National Women's Hall of Fame and The Academy of Arts and Sciences. Facilities she has designed handle over half the cattle in the U.S. Some of her most important books are New York Times Bestseller "Animals in Translation," "Thinking in Pictures," "The Autistic Brain," and "The Way I See It." Riding horses and caring for them helped her get through difficult teenage years when she was bullied and teased.

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