

# Media Advisory: Celebrities and Inspirational Runners Among Compelling Stories at Disneyland Half Marathon

## Great live shot and photo gallery opportunity Sunday morning

**WHAT:** Celebrities and inspirational runners among the potential storylines within the Disneyland Half Marathon Weekend, which involves **more than 17,000 runners from throughout Southern California and beyond.**

**WHEN:** Disneyland Half Marathon, Sunday, Sept. 2 at 5:45 am. Media must arrive by 4:45 am for live coverage of the start and finish lines.

**WHERE:** The 13.1-mile half marathon course goes through Disneyland Resort, Disney California Adventure Park, the streets of Anaheim and **Angel Stadium of Anaheim.**

### STORYLINES:

- The Comeback: A **41-year-old Ventura woman** who suffered a major stroke one year ago is now miraculously attempting to run her first half marathon.
- Helping Sick Children: **Actor Scott Baio (*Happy Days*)** will be on-hand to support his wife, Renee, who is running the half marathon for their Bailey Baio Angel Foundation which raises awareness and financial assistance for children who suffer from rare metabolic disorders.
- Running with a Purpose: **Actor Sean Astin (*Rudy, The Lord of the Rings, The Goonies*)** is running the half marathon as he continues his I Run 4 Something program in which he runs for someone or a charitable cause that has been submitted to him via Twitter ([#run3rd](#)).

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