

# Double-Amputee American War Hero Tackling 26.2-Mile Journey Is Among Top Storylines at Walt Disney World Marathon Weekend

***Four-day race weekend to include celebrity runners and reigning women's world marathon record-holder, plus thousands of Central Florida runners; Event considered Central Florida's largest sports event with more than 100,000 runners and fans***

The Walt Disney World Marathon Weekend presented by Cigna, the **largest sporting event in Central Florida**, features more than **100,000 runners and spectators** from across the nation and more than 60 countries Jan. 7-10, 2016.

Among the many compelling storylines is **U.S. retired Master Sergeant Cedric King, a decorated war hero** who lost both legs during combat while serving in the U.S. Army in Afghanistan. King, who earned numerous military commendations that include the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, is competing on behalf of Cigna in the 26.2-mile marathon alongside **Cigna CEO David Cordani**. In addition, **reigning women's world record-holder Paula Radcliffe, a four-time Olympian from Great Britain**, is competing in the 5K, 10K and half marathon. And **Emmy-winning actor Uzo Aduba** (hit Netflix show "**Orange Is the New Black**") and popular Mexican actors **Aaron Diaz** and **Laura Flores** are running in the 5K.

The race schedule is as follows, with all races beginning and finishing at Epcot at Walt Disney World Resort:

- 5K – Thursday, Jan. 7, 6 a.m.
- 10K – Friday, Jan. 8, 5:30 a.m.
- Half Marathon – Saturday, Jan. 9, 5:30 a.m.
- Marathon – Sunday, Jan. 10, 5:30 a.m.