

Chris Arceneaux, Celebrity Ambassador, Professional Golfer, Professor at Nassau Community College

Celebrity Ambassador with Mercedes-Benz, Motivational/Keynote Speaker, Author, Philanthropist, Creative Strategist, Entrepreneur, Spokesperson, TV/Radio, Commercials, Celebrity Judge, Educator and Founder/CEO of the DARBY Foundation New York.

"DREAM BIG, BIG DREAMS"....." This is the personal motto of Chris Arceneaux, the founder and CEO of The Darby Foundation. Chris intent is motivating individuals to maximize their potential and live their dream. As a community leader, entrepreneur and educator, Chris draws on his

vast experience and successes as the blue print for his foundation. With strong passion, resiliency and unwavering commitment he has always found a way to achieve his goals no matter what the obstacle. From learning the game of golf at the age of 12 to being a top sales earner in the finance and mortgage industry, Chris has demonstrated leadership every step of the way.

With the Darby Foundation, Chris is taking a very unique approach to changing lives and "bridging the gap." Bringing opportunity, purpose and focus to those individuals that would not otherwise be exposed to such life altering experiences. With literacy as the "vehicle" and the game of golf as the highway Chris and The Darby Foundation can see pass the horizon to the limitless opportunities for our youth. Ask him and he will tell you that career, education and life skills are also part of the Darby plan or "road map" for a better tomorrow.

Awards and accomplishments achieved by Chris (just to name a few):

- 2015 Dream Big Celebrity Basketball Challenge Awarded with Community Award of Excellences
- 2015 Sports American Celebrity Guest Speaker/Panelist @NCC with ESPN Magazine Chris Broussard
- 2015 Ambassador with Mercedes-Benz
- 2014 Recipient of the Roosevelt Union Free School District SCOPE's Community Service Award
- 2013 Presented with the "KEY to the CITY" Lafayette, Louisiana
- 2013 Martin Luther King Award of Excellence by D.I.V.A. at Oheka Castle
- 2013 Rosa Parks Award Town of Hempstead
- 2013 Nominee for Black Street Sports & Fitness Award
- 2013 Nominee for John Maxwell Leadership Award
- 2013 Keynote Speaker for Upper Room Christian School Annual Sports Banquet
- 2012 Launch of the Moments of History Tour at Medgar Evers College
- 2012 Nassau County Legislature First and Ten Award
- 2012 Keynote Speaker Roosevelt High School Awards Ceremony
- 2009 Long Island Citizens "Outstanding Service to his Community" Award

Named one of the most amazing men he attended Southern University and USL in Louisiana.

Chris is committed to partnering with businesses and community organizations. He has been featured by GIVE the Magazine, African American Golfer's Digest Magazine, Verizon Fios New 1, BET News, and interviewed by his Pastor A.R. Bernard from Christian Culture Center, Brooklyn, NY.

For over twelve years Chris has conducted educational seminars throughout the Tri-State Area, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania. In addition, he has also conducted seminars for groups like MTA, LIRR, Federal State Teachers, and VA employees. He has taken pride and personal satisfaction in successfully helping

hundreds of First-Time Homebuyers become Home-Owners and assisted Home-Owners in refinancing their loan for cash to consolidate debt or home improvement.

His successes as amateur and professional athlete, in the community and the financial field took him to the boardroom as one of Celebrity Judges for McDonald's New York Metro Nutrition Network *Winners Selection Committee!* He was one of the dedicated team of judges consisting of McDonald's Owners, nutritionists, nonprofit experts and agency partners. The committee spent weeks reviewing applications and the **top 20 FINALISTS**. His role was critical in determining the final **5 WINNERS**. He has worked on marketing initiatives for global corporations such as the Golf Channel, YES Putters and ADAMS GOLF during the 2012 NFL KICK-OFF in New York City.

The Darby Foundation has successfully formed collaboration with various organizations which include: The Girl Scouts of America, Boys & Girls Club, Woodward Children's Center, Home Depot, P.S.40, the Baychester Athletic Club, Sanitation District #2 and Roosevelt Community Revitalization Group. Prestigious events of the Foundation include, Career Festival Day held at various schools and the first educational "Moments of History Tour" at Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, New York which consisted of distinguished panelists who have made a significant contribution to American History. Board members of this organization consist of individuals who have diverse professional backgrounds which include clergy, law, education and medicine.

Being a family man and father has inspired Chris even more. His son and daughter are his shining lights; two more reasons to push forward and accomplish his goals.

"DREAM BIG, BIG DREAMS".... With his experience, dedication and professional partnerships Chris Arceneaux is an asset to society.