



Jessamy Tang

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Jessamy Tang is the Managing Director of the Stanford Down Syndrome Research Center. She is also a Board Trustee of Down Syndrome International, Board Director of Disability Rights Legal Center, Chairperson of the World Down Syndrome Day Conference at the United Nations and Co-Founder of The Matthew Foundation.

Prior to joining the Down Syndrome Research Center, Ms. Tang accumulated over thirty years of experience as an advocate for the developmental disability community, entrepreneur, executive with The Walt Disney Company, and board member of US and international non-profit organizations. At The Walt Disney Company, she worked across multiple operating units at ESPN and ABC Radio. While she was at ESPN Enterprises, their business development unit, she negotiated several "first" technology partnerships for ESPN. She developed the business plan for and led the expansion of ESPN Radio by ensuring 24/7 programming, purchasing owned & operated stations, affiliating ESPN branded radio stations and creating a full marketing plan. She then became President of the ABC-owned Pittsburgh radio stations where her stations earned four (4) Achievement in Radio awards, Sports Personality of the Year award, and achieved the highest ratings among all ESPN Radio stations nationwide. Following her corporate success, she then independently acquired two radio stations through private equity funding and affiliated them with ESPN thus becoming the first minority woman founder and CEO of a sports radio business.

Outside of her corporate roles, Ms. Tang served with the MIT Venture Mentoring Service and Visiting Committee for the MIT Department of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation. She has also advised an NFL team, a leading international media company, and has spoken at numerous sports, media, and entertainment conferences.

Ms. Tang received her Bachelor of Science degree from MIT and MBA from Stanford University. She resides in the San Francisco Bay Area with her husband and two children including her son who has Down syndrome.