

# Celebrity News: Anderson Cooper Thanks Boyfriend Ben Maisani at GLADD Awards



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Anderson Cooper received the Vito Russo award on Saturday, March 16 at the GLADD Awards. It recognized his work as an accomplished, openly gay journalist, [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) reports. During his award speech, Cooper emphasized how important his partner, Ben Maisani truly is to him, saying, "The ability to love one another, the ability to love another person is in my opinion one of God's greatest gifts and I thank God every day for the ability to give and share love with the people in my life. My family, my friends, my partner Benjamin, thank you very much."

**What are some ways to show appreciation for your partner?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Your boyfriend has been treating you with love and respect since the day you met. Take Cupid's advice and show your man how much you appreciate all that he does for you and how grateful you are to have him in your life:

**1. Leave them notes:** You came home from a long day of work to a cooked meal and a clean home. Your boyfriend knew you had a rough day, so he tried to make your night as relaxing as possible. You woke up in the middle of the night, realizing you were too exhausted to thank him earlier. Leave him a well thought out Post-it note, letting him know you greatly appreciated his kindness. He will love waking up to a thank you note and may even keep it as a memory.

**2. Express your thoughts:** When your love is truly showing you how much he cares about you, let him know how much that means to you. Tell him how happy you are with him—guys never get tired of hearing that. By doing so, you are letting your partner know that he is treating you with the utmost respect and you love him for that reason.

**3. Show appreciation in return:** One of the best ways to show how much you appreciate your man is to return the feeling. Your boyfriend always asks how your day was, and gets concerned whenever you are upset; do the same in return. Your partner will feel the relationship is an equal entity of love and respect—which is the ultimate goal.

**How do you show appreciation towards your love? Share in the comments below.**