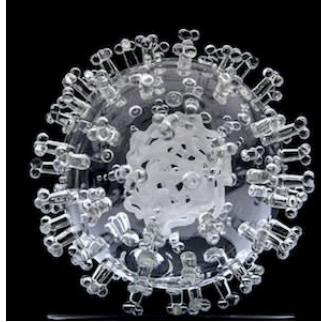


## Top 5 Tributes to COVID-19 Healthcare Staff from Around Globe



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The epicentre of [COVID-19 may have shifted from Asia to Europe](#), and governments around the world might be supporting businesses and citizens with fiscal packages, but the hub of the fight against the deadly virus remains in healthcare.

Across the globe and around the clock, frontline healthcare staff are trying to save lives in over-stressed hospitals, putting their own lives at risk dealing with infected patients.

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The gratitude and respect from the public is immeasurable but that hasn't stopped many from around the world trying to express it.

HealthManagement.org has rounded up the top 5 tributes to the tenacity, stamina and courage of COVID-19 healthcare workers from around the globe.

### 1. Applause Across Cities

Coordinated through social media, residents under lockdown across Spain and Italy, ventured out to their balconies or stood at their windows to [offer mass applause to healthcare workers](#) working day and night to save COVID-19 patients.

Italy and Spain are the two worst-hit countries in Europe and their healthcare staff have been struggling under the burden of fighting the virus.

### 2. Musical Tribute

American Grammy award winning musician, Yo Yo Ma posted [a cello accolade on his Twitter page](#). Ma plays the Sarabande from Bach's Cello Suite No. 3 with the following message:

"This is for the healthcare workers on the frontlines. Your ability to balance human connection and scientific truth in service of us all gives me hope."

### 3. COVID-19 Sculpture

British artist, Luke Jerram, has created a [glass model of the coronavirus](#) at a scale of 1:2m to highlight the efforts of healthcare personnel around the world. Duke University in the U.S. commissioned the piece before COVID-19 was declared a pandemic by WHO.

"This artwork is a tribute to the scientists and medical teams who are working collaboratively across the world to try to slow the spread of the virus," the artist said.

#### 4. Retail Recognition

There is no limit to where gratitude is being expressed. A shopping mall, the SM Mall of Asia, in the Philippines city of Pasay used its massive globe at its [entrance to show huge appreciation of local healthcare staff.](#)

"To our nation's front liners, we thank you!" were the words across the landmark feature.

#### 5. Doctor Actress Praise

Actress Ellen Pompeo, who plays a doctor in the American hit TV show, Gray's Anatomy, posted a [message of thanks to all healthcare staff fighting COVID-19](#) on her Instagram page.

"Many of us have the privilege to [self-quarantine and isolate](#) and try to stay healthy, and none of you have that privilege," she said. "So this is just from me and my family to all of you to say thank you. We appreciate you, we love you. Stay safe."

Sources: [Spain and Italy](#) [Yo Yo Ma](#) [Luke Jerram](#) [SM Mall of Asia](#) [Ellen Pompeo](#)

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