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2009 Gala Celebration

Gala



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Join the Journey

Silent & Live Auctions
Saturday, October 24, 2009

6:00 pm — 7:45 pm Silent & Mini-Live Auctions
Live Auction held during the Main Gala Program

**NEW THIS YEAR: "Pack Your Suitcase" Pre-Gala Sale
Begins Right Now—See pages 12-15 for great bargains!
OR "Buy It Now" on select Silent Auction Items**

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Brookline, Massachusetts*

2009 Auction Committee

Dear Gala Supporters,

We are delighted you have decided to “Join the Journey” by participating in the 21st Century Fund Gala Auction. With much help from others, we are presenting you with a wide and enticing array of auction packages. We encourage you to support the Fund’s programs by bidding generously on these items.

Your generosity is critical to helping the 21st Century Fund create and fund programs that will enrich our children’s and teachers’ journeys through Brookline High School and a lifetime of learning to follow.

Thank you very much for supporting the Gala and considering our auction items. We hope you have a delightful evening.

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Registration available in the Gala entrance from 6pm to 8pm

This year’s Auctioneer is Robin Starr from Skinner, Inc.

The 21st Century Fund Auction

Shop Now!

NEW 2009 “Pack Your Suitcase” Auction Pre-Sale

So that you can pack your suitcase before you “Join the Journey,” a select number of unique and fantastic items are available prior to the auction on a first-come, first-served basis. The first person to purchase the item at the listed price will take it home!

NEW 2009 Certain silent auction items are also available in advance of the Gala with the “**Buy It Now**” price listed with the item—offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Call or email the 21st Century Fund office from now until Thursday, October 22 at 5:00 pm to purchase the **Suitcase Pre-Sale** or **Buy It Now** silent auction items outright prior to the Gala. At 5:00 pm each day, all received bids will be compared for time received and the first purchaser will be awarded the item and notified.

Call: 617.713.5211

Email: 21st_century_fund@brookline.k12.ma.us

Easel Parties

Easel Parties are open to anyone whether they attend the Gala or not, and spaces are filled on a first-come basis. These parties are a unique way for a couple, singleton, or group of friends to enjoy an evening out sampling some of the finest Brookline has to offer. If you can't attend the Gala, contact the 21st Century Fund office to claim your spot—space is limited and is sure to sell out quickly!

Bid At the Gala!

Silent Auction: Bid Early and Monitor Your Bids

You will receive a bid number when you arrive, which will be registered in your name. Use this number when you bid in the Silent, Mini-Live and Live Auctions. DO NOT allow anyone else to use your bid number. You must write your bid number on the bid sheet. Each bid sheet lists the minimum bid and the incremental bid increase. If you want, you can skip ahead of the bidding increments and enter your bidder number next to the “Buy It Now” price listed at the bottom of the bid sheet. That package will then be considered sold at that price, and the bidding ends for that package.

At the close of the Silent Auction, the highest bid for each item will be circled by an Auction Committee official and will constitute the winning bid. The Auction Chairs will decide all questions regarding priority and procedure.

More on Bidding...

Mini-Live Auction: Mingle and Bid

We'll have volunteers taking your bids and posting them up on a large board in a special Mini-Live area during cocktails. The current highest bidder will be posted so you can monitor your bidding, and then the Auctioneer will conduct the final bidding for each of these items in a mini-live auction right before we close the silent bidding tables (between 7:30 pm and 7:45 pm). If you want these special items, you'll need to pay attention to the Auctioneer and bid!

Live Auction: Join the Excitement

Enter your bid by raising your auction book with the bid number facing the Auctioneer. The Auctioneer will acknowledge the highest bidder and title to the item and/or service will, at that time, pass to him/her. The Auctioneer determines and sets bidding increments on each item offered for sale. An item that does not receive a satisfactory bid may be withdrawn at the discretion of the Auctioneer.

Can't attend the Gala and desperately want one of those Live or Mini-Live items?

Call the 21st Century Fund office no later than 5:00 pm on Thursday, October 22 to make arrangements for proxy bidding.

Express-Pay: Skip the Waiting at Check Out

Register for Express-Pay and skip standing in line to pay for the treasures you bought this evening. Present a valid Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express credit card or signed check during Express-Pay registration. A runner will then bring your paid auction invoice along with your purchases to your table during the evening.

Donors and purchasers are encouraged to consult their tax advisers to determine the tax deductibility of gifts.

The Auction Committee has endeavored to describe correctly and completely the property and services being auctioned, along with any disclaimers and limitations. The descriptions of many items have been obtained directly from the contributors. The Auction Committee assumes no responsibility for and cannot guarantee the validity, authenticity, or condition of any item offered for sale. No statement contained in the auction catalog or made orally at the sale or elsewhere shall be deemed assumption of liability for tax purposes or for any other purpose. Tax deductible amounts are those that exceed the stated cost of goods and services for the item. Information stating the estimated cost of goods and services will be included in an acknowledgement letter to the winning bidder following the Gala.

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1. Rock Out with Autographed Aerosmith Guitar Hero and Nintendo Wii Gaming System

The kids will think you're mega-cool when you come home with the Nintendo Wii Console and Aerosmith Guitar Hero Game. And they'll think you're even cooler when you pull out twin Aerosmith Guitar Hero game guitars signed by Aerosmith's legendary drummer, Tom Hamilton.

Donated by BJ's Wholesale, Tom Hamilton and Julie Joyal Mowschenson.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

2. Drink to This — A Romantic Sojourn for Two to San Francisco and Wine Country

Start your planning for a trip for two to California's wine country with a copy of the "Hidden Guide to San Francisco and Northern California" and a magnum of an exquisite cabernet from Silver Oak Cellars. You will stay in style for three nights and four days at a San Francisco Wyndham-owned Hotel or Resort. Bring your friends and head out to the fabulous Silver Oak Cellars in Napa for a VIP Tour and Tasting for up to six people, and taste their exquisite food & wine pairing menu. Next, reserve a day to head over to Sonoma's Bella Vineyards and Wine Caves for a private tasting and tour for four.

Donated by Silver Oak Cellars in Oakville, California; Bella Vineyards and Wine Caves, Healdsburg, California; Brookline Booksmith; Global Getaways and Marina Brodskya. Lodging arrival must be on a Sunday, Monday or Tuesday. Room is for two, 21 or older. Taxes and gratuities not included. Lodging certificate holder is entitled to a stay at a Wyndham owned property with a three star rating or better, reservations are subject to availability and is valid until Sept. 30, 2010. Silver Oak certificate is good Monday through Saturday and expires 10/30/10. Wine tour for Bella Vineyards expires 10/01/10. Reservations for Bella should be made at least two weeks in advance.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,000

www.silveroak.com www.bellawinery.com

3. Knock Your Socks Off: Four Red Sox Tickets Behind Home Plate

Take three friends out to the ballgame with these Four Red Sox Tickets in the 2nd row, right behind home plate. A waiter will take your orders for beer, hot dogs and other delectable Fenway treats. If you love the Sox, these seats are a homerun.

Donated by Michael J. Zinner, MD. Date to be agreed upon between winning bidder and donor.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,300

Live Auction

4. Artistic Odyssey for Two to World-Renowned Miami's Art Basel Show December 3-6, 2009

Get out of the cold and head for Miami in December, where the weather is hot and the art is even hotter. Start your art exploration with two tickets to the exclusive Party on the Plaza at the Miami Art Museum on December 3rd. Party on the Plaza is an invitation-only event and is the opening of Art Basel week in Miami. You will also receive a private exhibit tour, led by powerhouse art dealer Bernice Steinbaum. You can't live on art alone, so don't miss your reservations for two at 7:30 on December 4th at the Delano Hotel's Blue Door restaurant, where your \$250 gift certificate will open the door to an innovative menu of refined French cuisine infused with Brazilian and global influences. Then use your \$100 gift certificate to acquire some local color of your own at the Design Center's Marimekko store. And that's not all ... the winning bidder also receives a year-long contributing/family membership to the lauded Miami Art Museum.

Donated by the Magda Campos-Pons, Bernice Steinbaum, the Miami Art Museum, and Marimekko.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

<http://www.marimekkomiami.com>
<http://www.delano-hotel.com> www.miamiartmuseum.org

5. Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? Ellen Goodman!

Pulitzer-Prize winning columnist Ellen Goodman and her husband Bob Levey will be the special guests at this four-course dinner for eight in your home catered by The Capital Grille, including wine. You will enjoy hearty steak house favorites such as oysters on the half shell, dry-aged beef and decadent desserts, all paired with award-winning wines.

Donated by Ellen Goodman and the Capital Grille, Chestnut Hill. Date to be mutually determined by Ellen Goodman, the Capital Grille and winning bidder.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

6. Drink to Your Health! Two May Venture to The Nantucket Wine Festival May 19-23, 2010

Cruise off to Nantucket with your two first class tickets on the Hy-Line ferry, and then stay for an Entire Week (May 16-24) in a fabulous three bedroom Townhouse in Madaket, just a ¼ mile from quiet beaches and majestic sunsets, and only four miles from town. From there you will attend one of the nation's most celebrated wine and food events—with two Grand Cru Packages to the Nantucket Wine Festival, which features over 100 wineries in its Grand Tastings. Your Two Grand Cru Packages to the Wine Festival contain:

- Attendance at the Festival's four Grand Tastings
- Saturday morning Early-Admission VIP Reception at the Grand Tasting (available to package purchasers only)
- The Opening Reception and three Wine and Food Seminars (based on availability – sign up early)
- A 2009 Nantucket Wine Festival poster signed by artist Kerry Hallam and a Wine Festival hat

Live Auction

Donated by Susan & Denis Toner, Michael & Beth Darman Stone, and Hy-Line Cruises. Grand Cru certificates must be redeemed between January 15 and April 15, 2010 and reservations are required. Some wine and food seminars sell out early. Call as soon as possible to arrange for your tickets for Grand Cru and Hy-Line ferry.

Value of Goods & Services: \$3,550

www.nantucketchamber.org

7. The Ultimate Insider's Tour of Washington, D.C.

Begin your journey of political intrigue by reading your autographed copy of Dan Brown's latest best-seller "The Lost Symbol," which reveals some of Washington's best kept secrets, then two of you will embark on the Acela train with first class tickets to DC, which will speed you to the Obamas' new home. You'll tour one of the most famous houses in history--the White House. You'll also take an insider's tour of the State Department led by a senior State Department Official, including lunch in the Martin Van Buren Dining Room. This package also includes two nights at a Wyndham owned property and a copy of "The Lonely Planet Guide to Washington" to help you make all the right political connections. As a final memento, we have included a "Neatness Isn't Everything" poster signed by our one-of-a-kind Congressman, Barney Frank.

Donated by David Laney, Georgia Johnson, Global Getaways, Marina Brodskya, Alex Arvizu, Brookline Booksmith, Laura Sen, and the Office of Congressman Barney Frank. Must arrive at Wyndham Hotel on a Sunday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Lodging certificate holder is entitled to a stay at a Wyndham resort with a three star rating or better. Lodging arrival must be on a Sunday, Monday or Tuesday. Room is for two, 21 or older. Taxes and gratuities not included. Lodging certificate holder is entitled to a stay at a Wyndham owned property with a three star rating or better; reservations are subject to availability; and certificate is valid until Feb. 28, 2011. White House and State Department Tours are to be at mutually-agreed upon times and are good for up to six people. The White House tour requires advance clearance-- see gift certificate for more details. State Department tour must take place on a weekday.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

8. Opening Day for 12 at the Bleacher Bar

Don't have tickets for opening day at Fenway on April 5, 2010? How will you see the Red Sox kick-off the 2010 season against the Yankees? By buying this package, that's how! Your party of 12 is invited for lunch (including alcohol) at the Bleacher Bar right outside Fenway, on Lansdowne Street. Built under the stands in centerfield where they used to keep all the equipment, you get a front and centerfield view even though you are not in the stadium!

Donated by The Lyons Group. Tax and gratuity not included. Package does not include tickets to the game; instead it's viewing the opening of the season at a table front and center at the Bleacher Bar over lunch, then watching the rest of the game from the comfort of the restaurant.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

Mini-Live Auction

51. Knockout Nights in New York — November 13 & 14, 2009

You and a friend, partner (or kid, for that matter), can navigate to NYC for this unbelievable weekend package, Friday, November 13-14, 2009. On Friday, November 13, you have two seats in the second row, center orchestra, for the Broadway smash *Jersey Boys*. On Saturday, November 14, be sure to work up an appetite for your coveted 7:00 pm reservations for two for the Tasting Menu Dinner at the four-star Diner's Choice winner, Bouley, near the World Trade Center. And you can start planning your trip with your copy of the "Lonely Planet Guide to New York City!"

Donated by Rich and Mary Thaler, Bouley and Brookline Booksmith. You will receive a \$450 gift certificate to Bouley. The gift certificate can be used for food, wine, tip and taxes.

Value of Goods & Services: \$775

52. Red Hot Tickets for the Red Sox vs. Yankees

What more is there to say? On April 8, 2010, you will be sitting in lower box seats along the first base line in Fenway Park watching the Sox battle the Yanks (Field Box 10, Row J). And your friends won't. How much better can it get?

Donated by Wendy ('67) and Peter ('66) Gordon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$250

53. Drink Mixology Party for Twenty

Your cocktail party of 20 will mix it up with the mixologist from Barbara Lynch's new hot spot "Drink" at the home of David and Joan Bridger, who will provide the lovely setting and delicious hors d'oeuvres. The mixologist will teach you when to shake and when to stir – and other tricks of the trade. So eat, drink, mix and be merry!

Donated by Drink and David & Joan Bridger. Date to be mutually agreed upon. Not valid during December or May.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,500

54. Feel like Royalty in Center Court with the Celtics

As Red Auerbach said, "The Celtics aren't a team; they're a way of life." With four center court tickets right up front in the "Owner's Row," you and three friends can really get into the Celtics' "way of life" when they play the Charlotte Bobcats on March 3, 2010 at 7:30pm. These incredible seats are in section 12, row 6, seats 13-16. Head for drinks afterward to celebrate the winning game with a gift certificate for \$50 at the Harp.

Donated by Wendy ('67) & Peter ('66) Gordon and Carol Kopelman.

Value of Goods & Services: \$710

Mini-Live Auction

55. A Football Fan's Dream Team

You'll never find this anywhere else. This once-in-a-lifetime package includes a treasure trove of top football memorabilia - a football signed by our own fabulous Patriot's Quarterback Tom Brady, a football signed by Hall-of-Famer Dan Marino, an official Game Day on-field jersey signed by Packers player De Kabeer Gbaja-Biamil and Eli Manning's official Game Day on-field jersey (never worn). To complete your ultimate football fan experience, we've included one large, mouthwatering T. Anthony's pizza and a six-pack of beer each month for a year!

Donated by Franklin Sports, Pina Swissa Salon, T. Anthony's Pizzeria and The Gala Committee.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

www.piniswissa.com www.tanthonypizzeria.com

56. Shimmy to Chicago – For Two!

The winning couple will indulge in the luxury of a one-night stay in the Deluxe Executive Suite at Chicago's Four Seasons Hotel, with full use of the Fitness Club (tax and gratuities are also included). You'll need that pampering after a day of shopping at Chicago's amazing Bloomingdale's with your \$1,000 gift certificate. Then satisfy your artistic appetite with two passes to the Chicago Museum of Contemporary Art. Later, you'll step out to catch a show at the Steppenwolf Theater. In your spare time (if you have any!) flip through "The Rough Guide to Chicago" to find out what else will flame your fancy in the windy city before you head home.

Donated by Four Seasons Hotel, Bloomingdale's, Chicago Museum of Contemporary Art, Steppenwolf Theater and Brookline Booksmith. Theater tickets must be used on a Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Sunday night subject to availability. Four Seasons certificate is valid until 10/24/10 and reservations are required.

Value of Goods & Services: \$2,285

www.mcachicago.org www.fourseasons.com/chicagofs
www.steppenwolf.org www.bloomingdales.com

57. A Passage through Past Presidents' Repasts

Can't make it to Washington for dinner with the Obamas? Now you can dine like a president in the comfort of your own home. The winning bidder will receive a "Dine Like A President" five-course meal for 10 specially tailored by Chef Jim Solomon from The Fireplace. This thematic dinner highlights favorite recipes of the presidents who hail from the Northeast – from John Adams to John F. Kennedy. What's more, they will literally roll out the red carpet, flanked by musket-carrying Minutemen, right up to your door.

Donated by The Fireplace.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,500

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See page 2 for details.

60. Brunch for six at Lineage

You won't have to wait in line after you've made your reservation for Brunch for 6 at Jeremy Sewall's Lineage, which specializes in creative American cuisine. *Does not include alcoholic beverages.*

Donated by Lineage Restaurant.
Value of Goods & Services: \$140

Buy It Now: \$100

61. Teen's Year of Treats

A kid's year of bliss includes:

- ★ A Slice of Pizza A Week for a Year at Upper Crust Pizza
- ★ One small-size ice cream a week (with no toppings) or one small frozen yogurt with two toppings from Chill Ice Cream in Cleveland Circle
- ★ A Comic book a month for a Year from New England Comics (a one-year subscription - 12 issues- to a single comic title)

Donated by Upper Crust Pizza, Chill Ice Cream, New England Comics.
Value of Goods & Services: \$408

Buy It Now: \$200

62. Boca Grande

Enjoy \$50 in gift certificates from Boca Grande. This unique Mexican restaurant emphasizes fresh, healthy food characterized by distinct but subtle flavors indigenous to the Oaxaca region of central Mexico.

Donated by Boca Grande.
Value of Goods & Services: \$50

Buy It Now: \$25

63. Dinner at a South End Favorite

Located just a few doors down from scenic Union Park, Joe V's offers a variety of well prepared Italian entrees. Use this \$50 gift certificate to enjoy one of their many delicious Italian dishes such as their famous ultra thin crust pizza.

Donated by Joe V's.
Value of Goods & Services: \$50

Buy It Now: \$20

64. Bernard's

Kick back and enjoy lunch at Bernard's after a long morning of shopping at the Chestnut Hill Mall. Enjoy authentic and fresh Chinese cuisine with this \$25 gift certificate.

Donated by Bernard's.
Value of Goods & Services: \$25

Buy It Now: \$10

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65. Absolutely Revolutionary

Watch New England’s professional soccer team, the New England Revolution, stir things up with these four tickets to a 2010 Revolution match. *Tickets are good for the regular season only, no playoffs.*

Donated by the New England Revolution Charitable Foundation.

Value of Goods & Services: \$160

Buy It Now: \$100

66. Survival of the Fittest

Here is a no-risk way to get a taste of two of Boston’s finest get-fit clubs -- with a One-Month Membership to both the high energy The Sports Club/LA and the Healthworks Fitness Center. The Sports Club has upped the ante with a complimentary 50-Minute Spa Treatment to rejuvenate yourself after you’ve lifted those weights.

Donated by Healthworks Fitness Centers and The Sports Club/LA.

Value of Goods & Services: \$500

Buy It Now: \$150

67. Dance, Dance, Dance

Enjoy one week of Cheer and Dance Camp at Emmanuel College July 19-22, 2010, for one young woman age 12 or older. The camp is held at the Yawkey Gym at Emmanuel College and is led by Andy Yosinoff. The camper may commute to the Emmanuel College camp or may attend in-residence, at the College dorms.

Donated by Andy Yosinoff.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200 for non-resident camper; \$280 for resident camper

Buy It Now: \$150

www.ayosinoffcheerdancecamps.com

68. Original Framed WWII Poster: “Be A Cadet”

Attention poster collectors and WWII buffs! This “Be a Cadet” WWII poster is perfectly framed and is a glorious salute to the patriotism and sacrifice of the Second World War.

Donated by The Picture Place.

Value of Goods & Services: \$440

Buy It Now: \$200

69. A Peregrination to the Perrin Gallery to Show Your Stuff

Is there an artist in the family? This is a unique opportunity to exhibit your art or your child’s art in a One-Month Showing in the gallery space at the Perrin Gallery in Coolidge Corner, complete with an Opening Night Viewing Party. Framing of your artwork will be provided at a discount. Date of showing to be mutually agreed upon.

Donated by the Perrin Gallery and The Picture Place.

Value of Goods & Services: priceless

Buy It Now: \$100

70. A Pretty Picture . . . And More!

Prepare for your trips down memory lane with a two-hour family group photo session by Merrill Shea Photography. Merrill Shea provides you with a CD of the high resolution photos from the shoot.

David Leifer, computer-savvy guy, will provide you with three-hours of training in Adobe Photoshop to help you make the most of all your personal photos.

Finally, you will receive a trio of designer photo albums by Jill Schwartz Elements. Beautifully handcrafted and layered with vintage appliqué, beads, buttons and semi-precious stones. These albums are meant for show!

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Note: Time and date for the photo shoot and for the Adobe Photoshop session are to be mutually agreed-upon. Photo shoot will take place in the Brookline/Newton area and the winner will receive a high-resolution CD from which photographs may be printed (actual prints not included).

Donated by Merrill Shea Photograph, David Leifer Photography, and Jill Schwartz Elements.

Value of Goods & Services: \$900

Buy It Now: \$350

www.merrillsheaphotography.com www.fishtreeseven.com
www.elementsjillschwartz.com

71. Adorn Your Arm with Some “Arm Candy”!

This trio of beaded bracelets may be worn together or separately and will add color and a hip vibe to anything you put on. Beautifully hand-crafted from semi-precious and wooden beads.

Donated by Arm Candy’s Marie Green.

Value of Goods & Services: \$150

Buy It Now: \$75

72. Mattei Gallery Gift Certificate

Mosey on over to the Mattei Galleria in the Arcade, one of the chicest jewelry stores in Brookline – you’re bound to find a very easy way to spend this \$75 gift certificate!

Donated by Mattei Gallery.

Value of Goods & Services: \$75

Buy It Now: \$40

www.matteigalleria.com

73. Act Now!

You know you’ve got a budding star in your house – so treat your pre-K or kindergarten child to storybook theater classes with Sprouts, offered by Brookline’s beloved Art Barn.

Donated by Art Barn.

Value of Goods & Services: \$325

Buy It Now: \$175

www.artbarn.org

74. Acupuncture sessions from Bhaird Campbell

These six sessions in Concord with Bhaird Campbell ('87), licensed acupuncturist, are guaranteed to change you for the healthier.

Donated by Concord Center Acupuncture.

Value of Goods & Services: \$600

Buy It Now: \$250

www.concordventeracupuncture.com

75. BOOST Teeth Whitening

This BOOST teeth whitening treatment is sure to add sparkle to your smile.

Donated by Sowles Trauring Dental.

Value of Goods & Services: \$650

Buy It Now: \$250

www.dentalpartnersofboston.com

“Pack Your Suitcase” Pre-Auction Sale

76. Melt Away Your Stress with a Massage from Dara Cerv

Enjoy a personalized 60-minute muscular therapy session at the hands of licensed massage therapist Dara Cerv. Now we're talking major stress relief.

Donated by Dara Cerv, LMT.

Value of Goods & Services: \$75

Buy It Now: \$40

77. Acupuncture!

One initial examination and an acupuncture treatment by Guangli Xu of the Acupuncture Clinic of Brookline (valid until 12/22/09).

Donated by Acupuncture Clinic of Brookline.

Value of Goods & Services: \$90

Buy It Now: \$45

www.menopausehealing.com

78. Consultation with Architect Andrew J. Reck

Thinking of renovating your house, or a few rooms? This package offers an initial consultation with Architect Andrew J. Reck of Oak Hill Architects, plus four hours of services for original designs or renovations.

Donated by Andrew J. Reck, AIA, Oak Hill Architects.

Value of Goods & Services: \$700

Buy It Now: \$300

www.oakhillarchitects.com

79. Save Your Masterpieces & Preserve Priceless Memories

Third Floor Bindery will create a one-of-a-kind hand-bound book of your artwork. It is created to preserve dear memories and pretty enough to adorn your coffee table.

Preserve your stories or those of the ones you love for generations to come. When you are interviewed by a personal historian for an hour, you choose the topic and the personal historian asks the questions. The interview will be presented in a customized audio CD.

Donated by: Cherie Gaehde, Third Floor Bindery and Story Trust.

Value of Goods & Services: \$370

Buy It Now: \$150

www.storytrust.com

80. Pastries from B & R Artisan Breads

Just call your friends – pastries/breads for 15 people.

Donated by B & R Artisan Breads.

Value of Goods & Services: \$60

Buy It Now: \$30

www.brartisanbreads.com

81. Relax with a Massage

Enjoy a one-hour massage from Kate Garms Massage Therapy.

Donated by Kate Garms Massage Therapy.

Value of Goods & Services: \$80

Buy It Now: \$40

Easel Parties

Easel Parties are open to anyone, whether they attend the Gala or not, and spaces are filled on a first-come basis. These parties are a unique way for a couple, singleton, or group of friends to enjoy an evening out sampling some of the finest Brookline has to offer. If you can't attend the Gala, contact the 21st Century Fund office to claim your spot—space is limited and is sure to sell out quickly!

90. Creating Music: An Evening with Grammy-Nominated Pianist Gabriela Montero

Meet Gabriela Montero, a Grammy-nominated concert pianist and improvisational prodigy (who played at the Obama Inauguration) on Saturday, November 14, 2009. This elegant event will give guests the opportunity to meet Gabriela and ask about her craft. This will take place at the Maccombers' 40th floor penthouse in Harbor Towers, with breathtaking views of the harbor and city. Hosted by composer Neil Leonard and artist Magda Campos-Pons, you will enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres from The Catered Affair, libations from Coolidge Corner Wine and Spirits, and the world's best éclairs from the New Paris Bakery. This event is limited to 25 people, so sign up now with your friends for this once-in-a-lifetime party.

Date: Saturday, November 14, 2009

Time: 7pm-9pm

Location: 40th Floor, 85 East India Row, Harbor Towers, Boston

Cost Per Person: \$100, limited to 25 people

Donated by The Macomber Family, Gabriela Montero, The Catered Affair, Coolidge Corner Wine and Spirits and New Paris Bakery.

91. Creative Art & Wine Exploration

Perhaps the best wine pairing ever! Local artist Tina Feingold will host a private reception at her Brookline art studio on Sunday, November 22, 2009, along with a spectacular wine tasting by Jonathan Alsop of the Boston Wine School presenting and discussing extraordinary wines from around the world. Tina's contemporary artwork features oil painting, works on paper and abstract images, and as she offers insight into the creative process for visual art, Jonathan will discuss the artistry and inspiration behind fine wines. Lisa Miller of Brookline Liquor Mart has carefully selected twelve international bottles sure to spark imaginative discussion, and Baker's Best will pair up tasty treats and fanciful hors d'oeuvres with the wines. In addition to bringing home your own Reidel Chianti tasting glass, there will be a drawing for the unused wine from the tasting (including one lucky winner of a gorgeous hand-painted champagne bottle!). Guests will also receive a discount on any artwork purchased that evening, and part of the proceeds from any sales will be donated to the 21st Century Fund.

Date: Sunday, November 22, 2009

Time: 7pm-9pm

Location: 17 Thorndike Street, Brookline

Cost Per Person: \$125, limited to 10 people

Donated by Tina Feingold, Jonathan Alsop & the Boston Wine School; Lisa Miller & Brookline Liquor Mart, and Baker's Best.

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101. **Buon Appetito! Dinner for Four at Rialto and Private Menu Consultation with Jody Adams**

As if Rialto's menu isn't magnificent enough, the talented Jody Adams will personally help you and three friends select the menu for a dinner for four with a private menu consultation. And the meal will be expertly paired with wine! This will be a wonderful experience at Rialto, named Best Italian Restaurant by Boston Magazine, 2009.

Donated by Jody Adams. Reservation for a mutually agreed upon date. Gratuity not included, expires 9/8/10.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

102. **Spread Your Wings for a Week of Spring Skiing at Snowbird, Utah**

Head West – to the Iron Blossam Lodge in Snowbird, consistently rated the best in the country by *Skiing* Magazine. During this week of spectacular Spring Skiing, you will ski in and out of this one-bedroom suite with two queen beds, a full kitchen, and a living room with a queen size sleeper sofa and gas fireplace. You will luxuriate in the lodge's heated outdoor pool, indoor hot tub and more. You will also receive two lift tickets for six days. Perfect for a family or two couples. Available Saturday, 3/27/2010 - Saturday, 4/3/2010 only.

Donated by Norman '61 & Sondra Levenson.

Value of Goods & Services: \$4,500

www.ironblossam.net www.snowbird.com

103. **Conquer the Snow with a Week at Sugarbush Mountain, VT**

You can ski or snowboard to your heart's content for a week at a delightful mountainside condo in Sugarbush, one of Vermont's s top resorts. This 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom condo sleeps 8, and is super convenient to ski slopes. And when you're not skiing or boarding, check out Mad River Glen, full of quirky shops, great restaurants, artisan galleries and covered bridges. Come with your family or friends for a great week-long getaway.

Donated by Melanie Marcus. Available after 2/1/10 for a mutually agreeable week. School vacation weeks and holiday weekends will not be available. Summer use is available.

Value of Goods & Services: \$2,000

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104. Getaway for a Weekend in Nantucket

One of the most unique, historic and visually stunning places in the world, Nantucket beckons. Stay at Joe Bergantino and Candy Altman's beautifully appointed home "Hakuna Matata" on Nantucket Island, where you can walk the beaches, breathe the salt air, bike around the island, meander on the wharves, shop at Main Street's boutiques and marvel at first-class art galleries. The house sleeps 9, has an enclosed porch with breakfast table and a stunning master bedroom. Five minute walk to Jetties Beach and the town of Nantucket. So grab your things and put them in your new stylish yet durable wide-tote from Brookline-based designer, MY Oilcloth, and head to Nantucket!

Donated by Joe Bergantino & Candy Altman and MY Oilcloth. The house is available for a weekend in May before Memorial Day, after Columbus Day in October, or a mutually agreed upon weekend in September.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,350

Buy It Now: \$950

105. Aloha Hawaii!

Wa-Hula! Does five sunny days and four balmy nights at a beautiful Wyndham owned Honolulu hotel on the beautiful island of Oahu sound good to you? Leave New England's cold weather behind, drink a mai tai and relax with a copy of the "Lonely Planet Guide to Hawaii" so you won't miss a thing. Great to combine with that trip to the Hawaiian islands you're already planning!

Donated by Global Getaways, Marina Brodskya, and Brookline Booksmith. Lodging accommodations are subject to availability, does not include taxes and gratuity. Hotel certificate is valid until September 30, 2010, and is for two adults 21 and up to two children under age 18. Travel certificate holder is entitled to a stay at a Wyndham resort with a three star rating or better.

Value of Goods & Services: \$865

106. Hold your Hat and Race off to Kentucky (But Not the Derby)!

This Kentucky kernel starts out with one night weekend stay at the Louisville Marriott. There is no lollygagging in Louisville, so we have added the Exacta Box Package from Churchill Downs, which includes Six Reserved Box Seats, including admission tickets and programs. And even though you won't be attending the Derby, you can attend the races in your Derby-worthy, high-couture red and black crin hat from Galvin-ized Headware. And after you've collected your winnings (we hope), you can all visit the Kentucky Derby Museum in Louisville. You will also receive a personalized Louisville Slugger bat as a memento.

Donated by Churchill Downs, Kentucky Derby Museum, Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory, Marriott Hotels and Galvan-ized Headware. Churchill Downs tickets NOT valid for the Kentucky Derby, Thanksgiving week, Breeders Cup or Oaks Day. To be used during the 2009-2010 season. Certificate for bat must be redeemed by 12/31/09. Marriott certificate expires 10/31/10; tax and tips excluded. Reservations based on availability. Not valid during special events including Thunder-Over-Louisville and Kentucky Derby weekend.

Value of Goods & Services: \$695

Buy It Now: \$450

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107. Dessert and Champagne Tasting for 25

Need to put together a great birthday or anniversary party? We've done it for you! The winning bidder will receive decadent sweets and treats from Party Favors for 25 people, ranging from Italian tiramisu to American apple tartlets. And for that special toast, we have eight fantastic Champagnes from around the world: Chandon Rose Champagne (California); Saint Hillaire Champagne (the Blanquette de Limoux region of France); Duval-Leroy Brut (France); Scharffenberger Brut (Anderson Valley, California); Mumm Napa Cuvee (Napa Valley, California), Rustico Prosecco (Valdobbiadene, Italy); Prosecco Brut Mionetto (Italy) and Cordoniu Reserva Raventos Brut (Spain). What a great celebration!

Donated by Party Favors and Gary's Liquors.

Value of Goods & Services: \$556

www.partyfavorsbrookline.com

108. 365 Days of Wine and Roses...and Cheese and Bread and Coffee!

This marvelous package starts with a bottle of wine a month, courtesy of Glendale Package Store Wine and Spirits, Coolidge Corner's newest wine merchant. Next is a loaf of bread a week from Brookline's own Clear Flour Bakery. To complement your bread and wine, stop in at Russo's in Watertown to pick up cheeses and other delicacies with a \$100 gift certificate. As if more were needed, you will receive a gift card entitling you to one pound of Peet's Coffee a month (or a quarter pound of tea) for 12 months. We top off this package with flowers: a gift certificate from KaBloom for Holiday Package Centerpieces for Thanksgiving, Christmas or Hanukkah, and arrangements for Valentine's Day and Mother's Day. And you also get a \$40 gift certificate from Biana's Flowers.

Donated by Glendale Package Store Wine and Spirits, Clear Flour Bakery, Russo & Sons, INC, Peet's Coffee and Tea, KaBloom Flowers and Biana's Flowers. Note: flower arrangements from Kabloom may be picked up at the store 14 days prior or post holidays. Winner is responsible for picking up the bread from Clear Flour's store (maximum cost of a loaf per week is \$5.50, for bread only). Gift certificate from Biana's cannot be used within 3 weeks of any major holiday, including Mothers Day and Valentine's Day.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,190

www.glendalepackagestore.com
www.clearflourbread.com www.bianasflowers.com
www.kabloom.com www.russos.com

109. Be a Sous-Chef at "Ciao Italia"

In June 2010, the winner will visit the Providence set of "Ciao Italia" to meet Mary Anne Esposito, recently hailed in People Magazine as "the next Julia Child." Be ready to roll up your sleeves as you help prepare food to be displayed in the show and have a bird's eye view as the show is being taped. Afterwards you will eat lunch and receive a cookbook and "Ciao Italia" apron.

Donated by Phoebe's Faces.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

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110. Tempting Treats Travel to You: The Chef from Pigalle & Marco Is Coming to Dinner—To Cook!

You will revel in the luxury of having a world-class dinner for six prepared in your home by Chef Marc Orfaly, of Pigalle and Marco restaurants. Customize your menu, put up your feet, and enjoy.

Donated by Marc Orfaly. Wine and gratuity not included. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

111. Chef Berta to the Rescue!

After a personalized menu consultation, professionally trained Chef Berta will come to your home one day and prepare five nights of meals for your family of four for the week ahead! Focusing on delicious and nutritious meals, you will be delighted when your fridge is stocked with a week's worth of stress free, gourmet meals. And you don't even have to pay for the food because Chef Berta will be using a \$250 gift certificate donated by Whole Foods!

Donated by Chef Berta (Roberta Traynor), Personal Chef; and Whole Foods Market Brighton.

Value of Goods & Services: \$750

Buy It Now: \$300

www.chefberta.com www.wholefoodsmarket.com

112. Dinner for Eight at Stella

The ambiance is energetic, the décor is chic and mod, there's a great outdoor patio, it's in the hip SoWa neighborhood of the South End...and did we mention the food is an incredible journey of delectable tastes from Italy's regions? This certificate at Stella is for their wildly-popular Italian tasting menu for eight—yes—eight people!

Donated by Evan Deluty & Stella Restaurant. Tax, gratuity and alcohol not included.

Value of Goods & Services: \$280

www.bostonstella.com

113. Scamper to Scampo with 7 Lucky Friends!

Get together with your friends! Bid together to dine together at this legendary restaurant. Enjoy dinner, dessert, and wine pairings for eight at the Liberty Hotel's Scampo. Relax and let award-winning chef Lydia Shire work her magic.

Donated by Scampo and David and Joan Bridger. Valid on a Sunday night only. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,500

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114. Bond Over Dinner for Four at Bond

Here is an offer you can't refuse: a VIP dinner for four at the Langham Hotel's new Bond restaurant – a shimmering, hip, happening place with an innovative menu featuring international dishes such as Corn Flour Crusted Soft Shell Crab with Pequillo Pepper and Argentinean-style grilled steak with Chimichurri and Plantains.

Donated by Bond. Alcohol and gratuity not included. Not valid on holidays or during special events.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200

115. 8 Days a Week of Dining Out

With this package of certificates for a world-tour of cuisines, you can put off cooking at home for a lo-o-o-o-o-ng time! You will receive:

- ★ Aquitaine Bis (\$200 gift certificate)
- ★ Via Matta (\$100 gift certificate)
- ★ Fugakyu (\$100 gift certificate)
- ★ Olive's (dinner for four, est. \$225)
- ★ Tupelo (dinner for four, est. \$100)
- ★ Addis Red Sea (\$40 gift certificate)
- ★ Chiara (\$100 gift certificate)
- ★ Sweet Basil (\$100 gift certificate)

Donated by Aquitaine Bis, Via Matta, Fugakyu Japanese Cuisine, Olive's Restaurant, Tupelo, Addis Red Sea, Chaira, Sweet Basil.

Value of Goods & Services: \$965

www.tupelo02139.com www.addisredsea.com
www.briar-group.com www.bocagranderestaurant.com
www.fugakyu.com www.toddenglish.com

116. A Flight of Rare Wines

A wine-lover's dream come true, this package combines four hard to collect, exquisite wines. The winning bidder will receive one bottle each of the following fine wines:

- 1966 Château Pavie St. Emilion, Premier Grand Cru
- 1978 Château Prieure-Lichine Margaux Cru Classe
- 2000 Château de Pibarnon
- 2002 Diamant Blanc de Blanc

Donated by Kate Poverman & Raphael Bueno.

Value of Goods & Services: \$700

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201. Four Tix for the Sox & Snooze at the Hotel Commonwealth

On August 17, 2010, one lucky couple can experience uncommon luxury with a room overlooking Fenway Park at the Hotel Commonwealth, one of Boston's premier boutique hotels. A \$100 gift certificate to the Hotel's Eastern Standard restaurant is just the ticket for pre-game sustenance. After dinner, you can invite two friends to join you at Fenway Park where you will watch the Red Sox play the Los Angeles Angels because this package includes four Sox tickets (Loge Box 13, Section 23, Row LL)!

Donated by Hotel Commonwealth, Eastern Standard and the Macomber Family. Hotel stay and dinner expire on 10/24/2016.

Value of Goods & Services: \$855

Buy It Now: \$1,200
www.hotelcommonwealth.com

202. Four On the Floor with the Celtics!

Watch the Boston Celtics courtside this season with four tickets in Row A. You will be right where the action is – it's almost like sitting with the team...

Donated by Pam Rossi & Chris Tsouros. Tickets are for the 2009-2010 season only and are subject to mutual agreement between the donors and the winning bidder. Not all games are available.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,000

203. Luge to the Loge for More Celtics!!

You can ski, sled, luge or drive over to the Garden to enjoy four seats on the Loge Level at a Celtics game during the 2009-2010 season.

Donated by TD Garden Neighborhood Charities. Date to be mutually agreed upon by winning bidder and owner. Not valid for 2009-2010 season opener, Lakers, Heat or Cavalier games.

Value of Goods & Services: \$380

Buy It Now: \$450

204. Marathoner's Fantasy

Run the Vermont Covered Bridges Half-Marathon in style, and with hard-to-get numbers! Start your training this fall with a 1.5 hour personal training assessment and session in your home by marathon runner and trainer Donny Roach, who specializes in cardio endurance. Once you arrive in South Pomfret, Vermont next June, you will receive two race numbers (currently selling on the black market for \$200 each) allowing you and your running buddy to officially participate in the 19th Annual Covered Bridges Half- Marathon on Sunday, June 6, 2010. Stay at the Woodstock Inn for two nights and receive Saucony sports gear as a prize – regardless of your placement! It just couldn't get any better!

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Donated by: Donny Roach, Saucony and anonymous donor. Training session to take place on mutually agreed upon date and time in the Boston area, no later than December 31, 2009.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

www.woodstockinn.com

205. Golf with Two Bobs at the Pine Brook Country Club

Grab your clubs and a pal and hit the links at the exclusive Pine Brook Country Club, with Bob Grinberg as your host, along with BHS Headmaster Bob Weintraub, while you play 18 holes in Weston. And we promise that while scores will be kept, no grades will be given. Any psychological wounds will be healed with a delicious lunch at the Club after the game. And maybe you'll get a competitive edge over the Bobs by spoiling your favorite clubs with the basket of classy basket of golf cozies that is included in this package!

Donated by Bob Grinberg and Elinor Ross. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$870

Buy It Now: \$900

206. Basketball Clinic at Emmanuel

He took Emmanuel's Women's Basketball team to the Final Four; now see what he can do for you. Emmanuel College's award winning basketball coach, Andy Yosinoff, will hold a two-hour intense basketball clinic at Emmanuel's state-of-the-art facilities for a group of 15 teens. This is too good to pass up!

Donated by Andy Yosinoff. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200

Buy It Now: \$355

207. Sail Away With Me

The ultimate sunset sailing experience for 6: spend three glorious hours sailing on a 30-foot boat in Boston Harbor with an experienced skipper and gourmet meals and drinks! Enjoy views of Boston landmarks from the water or head out into Boston Harbor Islands. You can sit back and enjoy the view, or try your hand at steering and trimming the sails!

Donated by Boston Sailing Center and an anonymous donor. Reservations at least one week ahead of time for mutually agreed date and time – weekdays only.

Value of Goods & Services: \$500

208. Bowling Party and Dinner for 6

Enjoy dinner and bowling for six at the brand new KINGS Bowling at Legacy Place in Dedham. Opens in Fall 2009.

Donated by KINGS, Dedham.

Value of Goods & Services: \$350

Buy It Now: \$355

www.backbaykings.com

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209. Car, Cars, Cars

We know you spend your life in the car. For you, or anyone fixated on all things automotive, here's a package to keep things running smoothly:

- ★ Tom-Tom GO630 GPS System: Portable Bluetooth touch screen GPS Navigation System, with IQ Routes™, Tom-Tom Map Share™, 5D card slot, microphone and speaker and other accessories
- ★ Car Detailing: Two 5-Star Full Car Detailing sessions from Boston Volkswagen to restore that "new car" feeling
- ★ Car Washes: 5 Scrub-A-Dub Express Coupons to keep your car sparkling
- ★ Car Talk CDs: Two signed CD's from Click and Clack: "Once Upon a Car Fire" and "Car Talk's Guide to North American Whackos"
- ★ Car Talk Game: Another way to waste a perfectly good hour: playing the Car Talk Game (just not while you're driving)

Donated by BJ's Wholesale Club, Scrub-a-Dub Autowash Centers, Inc., Boston Volkswagen, Car Talk--National Public Radio, and Eureka Puzzles.

Value of Goods & Services: \$794

www.bostonvw.com www.cartalk.com
www.scrubadub.com www.eurekapuzzles.com

210. Namaste! Ten Days of Yoga

Just the thing to get you through the holiday seasons--ten yoga classes at Brookline's favorite Yoga studio. Baron Baptiste Yoga will even include a new yoga mat.

Donated by Baron Baptiste Yoga.

Value of Goods & Services: \$320

Buy It Now: \$275

211. Shape Up Package for Two

You won't have to travel far to get in shape with someone you love. This package includes two one-year memberships to Simmons Athletic Center, right in the heart of the Longwood Medical Area, with full access to its indoor track and state-of-the-art training equipment.

Donated by Simmons College Athletic Center.

Value of Goods & Services: \$900

Buy It Now: \$450

212. Skate to Your Heart's Content!

Vancouver here you come! With these two sessions of 8 ice skating lessons each at the Boston Skating Club, you can follow your Olympic dreams. Your triple axel may not be ready in time for the 2010 Games, but it's a start!

Donated by the Boston Skating Club. One certificate good for Saturday lessons only and one for Sunday lessons only. Expires 11/2010.

Value of Goods & Services: \$320

Buy It Now: \$300

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213. Eureka! What a Fun Party Idea

Eureka Puzzles, Coolidge Corner's unique games store, brings you all the fun of their On-the-Spot game party for 15 of your favorite people. Tailored for 7 to 70 year olds, games and giggles abound in this guaranteed fun package. And you can keep everyone even happier with food from Anna's Taqueria: with a certificate worth \$135, you'll have more than enough to please the crowd.

Donated by Eureka Puzzles and Anna's Taqueria. 1.5 hour On-the-Spot game party to be arranged at mutually agreed upon date.

Value of Goods & Services: \$435

214. Hold Your Party at Inner Space!

Do you have a birthday bash, graduation party or bar/bat mitzvah coming up? (We know you do...) Inner Space in Brookline Village will provide a fabulous space for these special events or any other get-together!

Donated by Inner Space. Date subject to availability. Please reserve early.

Value of Goods & Services: \$450

Buy It Now: \$300

www.yogainthevillage.com

215. The Best Birthday Ever – Children's Museum Gold Package Party and Isabelle's Curly Cakes

Your child or grandchild can ring in another year at a 2-hour party for 25 kids in the Children's Museum's private room, along with all-day passes to the museum. The Museum provides plates, napkins, cups, table and a birthday party coordinator. Twenty-five gourmet cupcakes from Isabelle's Curly Cakes on Charles Street will add that final touch of sweetness to the festivities.

Donated by the Children's Museum, Isabelle's Curly Cakes & Olivia English. Valid until 11/01/10.

Value of Goods & Services: \$465

www.bostonkids.org (museum)

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Section Three: Culture & Delights

301. Limited Edition Photograph by Magda Campos-Pons



This evocative, limited edition C/print, "Becoming Blossom", is by well-known Cuban-born artist, Magda Campos-Pons. Campos-Pons' work is part of multiple permanent collections, including the Museum of Modern Art in New York, the MFA, the Victoria and Albert Museum in London and the Art Institute of Chicago. Campos-Pons is a teacher at the Museum of Fine Arts and a major catalogue of her work was published in 2008 by the Yale University Press. This beautiful piece will be an extraordinary addition to any art collection. It is part of the "A Prayer for Obama" Series and is a limited edition of five.

Donated by Magda Campos-Pons.

Value of Goods & Services: \$3,000

302. Abelardo Morell "Water Alphabet" Photograph



"Water Alphabet" is a stunning, limited edition piece by renowned photographer, Abelardo Morell, with extraordinary dimension of the letters of the alphabet formed in water. His work has won numerous awards and is part of dozens of impressive public collections, including New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, and the Uffizi Gallery in Florence. (Water Alphabet, 1998, Edition # AP3.)

Photograph donated by Abelardo Morell, Bonni Benrubi Gallery, New York, NY & Carroll and Sons Gallery, Boston, MA. Framing donated by The Picture Place.

Value of Goods & Services: \$5,250

303. Rania Matar's "Broken Mirror" Print



Your journey through life will be enriched by award-winning photographer Rania Matar's "Broken Mirror #2, Beirut 2005" photographic print and her accompanying book, "Ordinary Lives," with text by Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Anthony Shadio. Born and raised in Lebanon, Rania Matar's work focuses mainly on street scenes involving women and children in the Middle East. Her recent projects examine the Palestinian Refugee camps, the veil and its significance, and the aftermath of war.

Donated by Rania Matar. Framing donated by Peter and Toni Lansbury.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,040

www.raniamatar.com

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304. Be Spirited Away to the Land of the Sugarplum Fairy

Succumb to the fantasy world of the Boston Ballet's Nutcracker with two premium, Dress Circle tickets to the 1:00 p.m. matinee on Saturday, December 5, 2009. This package also includes a special bonus of backstage passes after the performance for a behind-the-scenes look at the Opera House and the production.

Donated by Tony and Carol Friscia.

Value of Goods & Services: \$240

305. Chinese Opera Premiere – Madame White Snake

The winning bidder will receive two mezzanine tickets to the World Premier of the Chinese Opera "Madame White Snake" at the Cutler Majestic Theater on February 24, 2010 from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Tickets to this premiere are not available to the general public. After seeing this enactment of the legend of Madame White Snake, stroll over to Asana Restaurant at the Mandarin Hotel for elegant contemporary cuisine in an exotic ambience.

Donated by Friends of Madame White Snake, Hsiu-Lan Chang, Cerise and Charles Jacobs and the Mandarin Hotel, Boston. Asana gift certificate includes dinner for two and expires on 4/30/2010.

Value of Goods & Services: \$2,100

www.madamewhitesnake.org

306. Hie Thee to the Huntington

Become a fixture at the Huntington with vouchers for a pair of tickets to five terrific shows during the 2009-2010 season – and you get to pick the shows!! Treat yourself to pre-theater dining at the House of Siam and Picco Restaurant when the plays are at the Huntington Theatre's Calderwood Theatre Pavilion in the South End. Another bonus with this package: a framed, signed poster from the cast of "How Shakespeare Won the West!"

Donated by Huntington Theatre, House of Siam, Picco Restaurant, and the Frame Gallery.

Value of Goods & Services: \$925

www.huntingtontheater.org
www.houseofsiam.com www.piccorestaurant.com

307. Five Plays at New Repertory Theatre

Another delight for theater lovers. You will receive a pair of tickets to see five plays at New Repertory Theatre at The Arsenal Center for the Arts. The plays include: David Mamet's Modern Drama *Speed-The-Plow* (note Nov. 1 show date), David Sedaris' Hilarious Comedy *The Santaland Diaries*, Chris Craddock's Comedy *Indulgences*, Down Stage's production of *boom*, and Bell & Bowman's Snappy Musical *Hot Mikado*.

Donated by Kate Poverman and Raphael Bueno. The tickets are for specified dates, but may be exchanged by the winner for other dates.

Value of Goods & Services: \$350

Buy It Now: \$300
www.newrep.org

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308. More Theatre in the Heart of Boston

You can never have enough culture, can ya? Here, you will receive vouchers for two tickets for an upcoming event at the Cutler Majestic Theater. Will it be “*La Boheme*,” “*A Christmas Celtic Journey with Brian O’Sullivan*,” “*The Barber of Seville*” or something else? It’s yours to choose! Enjoy a drink before or after the show with a \$50 gift certificate to the swanky bar Jer-ne at the Ritz.

Donated by Cutler Majestic Theatre; Jer-Ne at the Ritz. Based on availability, ticket vouchers are valid through 10/31/10.

Value of Goods & Services: \$250

Buy It Now: \$250

www.maj.org

309. Dance of the Modern Variety

Dance your way into spring with two tickets to the Alvin Ailey Dance Troupe’s Celebrity Series performance on Friday, April 16, 2010. Enhance your dance experience with a pre- or post-dance dinner for two at the Beacon Hill Hotel and Bistro.

Donated by Celebrity Series and Beacon Hill Hotel and Bistro.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200

www.alvinailey.org
www.beaconhillhotel.com www.celebrityseries.org

310. All About Boston — Plus Cocktails for Eight

Architect, City Planner and MIT Educator Susan Silberberg-Robinson has invited eight people to her home for an evening of cocktails and a slide presentation on the fascinating history of Boston development. She will also lead a four-hour walking tour of Boston, beginning at the Skywalk and ending at Post Office Square, including commentary and questions.

Donated by Susan Silberberg-Robinson. Cocktails to take place during an evening and walking tour to take place on a Sunday afternoon. All dates to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$500

311. A Journey to Beauty: “By Estrella” Necklace



Featured in high-fashion stores like Persona and the Ritz gift shop, you will turn heads when you wear this 16-inch Estrella Iglesias pearl choker. Fashioned with high quality, high-luster fresh water pearls, small red sapphires and 22K gold beads and clasp, this necklace is a knockout.

Donated by “By Estrella.”

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,040

Buy It Now: \$900

www.byestrella.com

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Section Three: Culture & Delights

312. For the Aspiring Musician: Studio Recording Session

Fulfill your rock star dreams with two hours of recording time at Bristol Voice and Recording Studios where you can record your demo tape and send it off to L.A. If you prefer to keep practicing before you launch your professional career, you may opt for four contemporary voice lessons at the studio instead! The choice is yours.

Donated by Bristol Voice and Recording Studios.

Value of Goods & Services: \$240

Buy It Now: \$200
www.bristolstudios.com

313. Be in Two Places at Once — Experience a CNN Taping

Sit in the control room and see the entire production during a remote videotaping of a nationally broadcast show at the CNN Boston Bureau (which is conveniently located in Brookline). The live shot could be to “Larry King Live” or “AC360 with Anderson Cooper.” And the guest could be David Gergen, Doris Kearns Goodwin or some other notable. What an opportunity!

Donated by Phoebe’s Faces. Mutually agreed upon time and date.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

314. Run Off to the Circus

Circus Smirkus, that is...This package includes 4 VIP tickets to the Circus Smirkus 2010 Big Top Tour, a behind-the-scenes “Sawdust and Sledge Gang” tour, and the opportunity to meet troupers backstage. Also included are clown noses for everyone and all the popcorn and cotton candy you can eat!

Donated by Circus Smirkus tickets and Ed Le Claire.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200

www.circusmirkus.org

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Section Four: Indulgences

401. Swanky Sagamore Hotel at Miami's South Beach

You will enjoy a three-day, two-night stay in a deluxe suite at the sophisticated all-suite Sagamore Hotel on the Miami Beach waterfront, popularly known as the "Art Hotel" for its collection of art from contemporary artists. So that you fit in with South Beach's beautiful people, shop in Newton before you leave at the swanky Tess & Carlos boutique with a \$500 gift certificate.

Donated by The Sagamore Hotel and Tess & Carlos. Accommodations will be subject to availability and blackout dates. Not available during Art Basel week.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,250

402. Shopping & Champagne for Ten at Anne Fontaine

Enjoy a private evening shopping experience at Boston's elegant Anne Fontaine store with 9 of your closest friends, sip some bubbly and try on Anne's beautifully designed fashions – especially That White Shirt. Indulge your fancies with a \$300 gift certificate. An irresistible event – we promise!

Donated by Anne Fontaine. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

Value of Goods & Services: \$300

www.annefontaine.com

403. Carrie Bradshaw's Fantasy

Carrie Bradshaw used to skip lunch and buy Vogue instead because "it somehow fed her soul more." If fashion is your passion, and the ultimate deal elicits a squeal, this package of terrific shopping and designer goodies is for you!

- ★ A \$500 gift certificate to Tess and Carlos (with locations in Newton and Cambridge) where you will find high-end European fashions and the personal attention you deserve
- ★ Accessorize with a \$25 gift certificate at W.O.W., that Newton Highlands shop with a funky edge
- ★ Go wild with the \$75 gift certificate to Pink Domino, Newton Centre's hub for fancy and casual fashion for girls, tweens and juniors
- ★ Stroll down Portobello Road with a \$300 gift certificate for chic but comfy clothes, killer accessories, housewares and gifts
- ★ Support the fight against breast cancer with this absolutely beautiful Breast Cancer Awareness scarf designed by Sara Campbell, together with a \$150 gift certificate to Sara Campbell's boutique shops in the South End or Wellesley
- ★ A gorgeous handbag by London designer Orla Kiely, valued at \$180
- ★ A one-of-a-kind lotus sterling silver brooch by award-winning artist Chichiro Makio from 314 Studio and Fire Opal, valued at \$290
- ★ A \$150 gift certificate for Saks Fifth Avenue for anything else you can think of!

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Donated by Tess & Carlos, W.O.W., Pink Domino, Kristina Lyons & Marina Kalb at Portobello Road, Sara Campbell, Ltd., Shake the Tree, Fire Opal, and Kate Poverman & Raphael Bueno.

Value of Goods & Services: \$2,055

www.tessandcarlos.com www.pinkdomino.com
www.shopatwow.com www.saracampbell.com
www.shakethetreeboston.com www.fire-opal.com

404. Bloomingdale's Teen Beauty Event

Bloomingdale's personal shopper Claire Williams will take ten teens under her wings at a beauty session that will include accessorizing lessons, make-up lessons and a special discount on shopping. The winning bidder will also receive an exquisite sterling silver Elsa Perreti open heart necklace from Tiffany.

Donated by Bloomingdale's and Tiffany & Co.

Value of Goods & Services: \$200 (necklace)

Buy It Now: \$350

www.bloomingdales.com www.tiffany.com

405. Take Care of Yourself – and a Friend

Ah, the power of a great haircut! Bring a friend and have the Ultimate Experience for Two at Newbury Street's Pini Swissa Salon, with knock-out cuts and stylings by Pini himself. Leave with fabulous haircuts – and two baskets of beauty products to boot! Finish your day together (and show off that hair) with dinner for two at one of Back Bay's best neighborhood restaurants, 29 Newbury Street.

Donated by Pini Swissa Salon and 29 Newbury Street.

Value of Goods & Services: \$900

www.piniswissa.com www.29newbury.com

406. Pamper Yourself

Start with a cut and color by Brandon Keith of Brandon Keith Hair on Newbury Street, rated Boston's top salon by Citysearch. Continue your pampering with a massage at Carolyn Harvey Massage. Finish it off with an indulgent collection of beauty products by Skin Effects by Dr. Jeffrey Dover.

Donated by Brandon Keith Hair, Carolyn Harvey, and Skin Effects by Dr. Jeffrey Dover.

Value of Goods & Services: \$475

Buy It Now: \$ 350

www.brandonkeithhair.com

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407. Luxury in Brookline Village

The Lavinia Borcau Skin Care in Brookline Village is known for its relaxing and rejuvenating spa treatments: the kind that make you look good and feel good, too. Start with a European Barre Method Exercise Class followed by a facial to revitalize your skin. Finish with a perfect manicure. You'll feel so good, you'll want to make an appointment for one of your three one-on-one Personal Training Sessions at Eutopia, right around the corner. No matter what your level of fitness is, Eutopia can help you super-charge your workouts for maximum benefits and lasting results. Complete your day with dinner at Orinoco with a \$100 gift certificate.

Donated by Lavinia Borcau Skincare, Eutopia, and Orinoco. Gratuities and taxes not included.

Value of Goods & Services: \$ 475

Buy It Now: \$ 300
www.laviniaorcau.com

408. Home Sweet Home

Stop all that traveling. Stay where you are and make some home improvements, with these dynamite domestic donations.

- ★ Start with a day of expert housecleaning from EnviroCleaners (three hours of cleaning by two people)
- ★ Add a one-hour design consultation from Interior Transformations, a James Beard Award nominee (for The Fireplace). Super-talented interior decorator Danit Ben-Ari will provide an hour-long consultation on whatever your house needs: colors, furniture layout, window treatments or even remodeling materials, selection and general design.
- ★ And finally, shed some light on your financial future with One Hour of Estate or Business Planning from Tom Marton, of tax-boutique firm Lourie and Cutler.

Donated by Interior Transformations and Danit Ben-Ari, Tom Marton, and EnviroCleaners.

Value of Goods & Services: \$630

www.ecoklnr.com

409. Tempted to Travel by Magic Carpet?

Bring sophistication and warmth to your home with this fine Aubusson Style Needlepoint Carpet, woven in China, ca. 1980. The carpet measures 11'10" x 8'11". Base color is black, with varying shades of coffee and burgundy.

Donated by Grogan & Company.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,250

Buy It Now: \$1,000
www.groganco.com

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410. The College Crisis - Oh No!

Help your child prepare for college the Brookline way – all out. This package includes 30 hours of small group SAT Instruction at Sylvan Learning Center and a \$500 discount on college coaching by College Solutions (the discount is for new families only). In addition, your favorite student will receive three hours of tutoring in any subject from Veritas Tutors. Now this is the ultimate competitive edge.

Donated by Sylvan Learning Center, College Solutions, and Veritas Tutors. Sylvan certificate expires 5/31/10.

Value of Goods & Services: \$1,795

www.collegesolutions.com

Buy It Now: \$900

www.educate.com

www.veritutors.com

411. Pamper your College Girl with the Ultimate College Care Package

Show her you miss her by spoiling your college student with the Ultimate Care Package. This includes a bevy of deluxe cosmetic products from Fresh (including Sugar Lip Treatment, Brown Sugar Body Cream, and delightfully-scented shower gels and lotions – and that's just for starters!). Your girl will also receive freshly baked chocolate chip cookies (to die for!) and a 5th Generation 8 gigabyte iPod Nano that holds 2000 songs, 7000 photos or 8 hours of video.

Donated by Fresh and anonymous donors.

Value of Goods & Services: \$620

Buy It Now: \$475

www.fresh.com

412. Designer Michael Kors Collection Satchel



Just the thing to tuck all your new auction items and gift certificates into...the Zuma Satchel by Michael Kors Collection. In the latest metallic trend, this bag is brass leather, with goldtone hardware, shoulder straps, double-zip top, hanging logo tag and knot detail. Made in Italy, it measures 11"H x 14 ½" W x 5 ½" D.

Donated by Ken, Caren, and Ashley Stanley

Value of Goods & Services: \$995

Buy It Now: \$850

413. For the Ultimate Grey Gardens Fan

You will score this out of print book, 'Albert Maysles: A Maysles Scrapbook', and a rare *Grey Gardens* poster. Albert Maysles himself will autograph and personalize both the book and poster for the highest bidder on the evening of the Gala.

Donated by Albert Maysles and the 21st Century Fund.

Value of Goods & Services: Priceless

Thank You!

All of the proceeds from the Auction and Gala support innovative programs at Brookline High School.

The Brookline High School 21st Century Fund

▪ a commitment to innovation

The Brookline High School 21st Century Fund innovates effective local solutions to national challenges facing public high schools. The Fund is a nationally recognized non-profit organization that brings together educators, parents, alumni and philanthropists committed to academic achievement for all students.

The 21st Century Fund provides educators with the resources to think hard about formidable challenges, design scaleable solutions that address them, launch multi-year pilot programs, and conduct research to validate the results. The Fund has invested more than \$3 million in 14 such programs; six have already been fully integrated into the Brookline High School curriculum and several have become national models.

21st Century Fund Programs

▪ making a real difference to students

Teachers Mentoring Teachers
African American Scholars Program
Good Citizen in a Good Society
CyberCitizens
BHS Tutorial
Tripod Project
Freshman Tutorial

Family Partnership
Engineering by Design
Social Justice Leadership Program
Ithaka Advisory Project
Enhanced Tutorial
Arts Infusion
Political Literacy

Brookline High School Today

▪ a laboratory for change in public education

Brookline High School has 1,800 students who come from 76 countries, speak 57 languages and represent the entire economic spectrum. BHS students live in the densely populated urban areas of town, including three low-income housing projects, as well as affluent suburban neighborhoods. In addition, five percent of our students commute from Boston under the METCO program. In these and many other significant ways, BHS is a microcosm of the world in which our students will live their adult lives.

With a student population that mirrors the increasing diversity of our nation, the BHS 21st Century Fund is committed to maintaining the school's leadership in showing that the public high school can continue to serve as a compelling expression of the American experiment, and as the continuing foundation of a democratic society.

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