

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION CATALOGUE



LIVE AUCTION SOUSA MENDES FOUNDATION

TAYLOR'S VINTAGE PORT WINE VARGELLAS VINHA VELHA 1997 — AN INCREDIBLE VINTAGE



Quinta de Vargellas is pre-eminent among the wine estates of the Douro. Located in the wild and hilly eastern reaches of the valley, it has been prized as a source of the finest ports since the 1820s.

Today it ranks among the great vineyards of the world.

The first impression is of pungent black fruit aromas and rich dark velvety chocolate. This is then followed by delicate herbal and tobacco notes. The complexity and range of flavours on the palate are seemingly endless: rich cherry and plum jam, luscious ripe blueberry, bitter dark chocolate, scented cigar box and spice, fresh leather. And the texture and consistency of the wine is almost of molasses, or treacle, it coats the palate like a velvet glove.

This port is highly sought after by restaurateurs and wine collectors – just two pipes were made. It is no longer available to the public.







HOME CHEF

VICTORIA





This is for everyone!

Victoria is a joyful and amazing Filipina chef who keeps wowing every auction winner she serves. Her specialties include many types of cuisine, including Philippine, Thai, Italian, Greek, Kosher, vegetarian, American, and barbecue.

Everything – from the appetizer to the dessert – is incredibly delicious, and in keeping with the chosen theme. She comes with a server/helper so the hosts can sit back and enjoy.

The meal, prepared and served in the winning bidder's home, is offered for eight people (but can be calculated up if the winner would like more guests). The bid price includes set up, service, food and cleanup. Alcohol and drinks are provided by the host.

LIVE AUCTION

Paradise is Nantucket









Welcome to *Northstar*, a 4 Bed/bath home in the heart of Nantucket Island! Meticulously maintained and professionally decorated.

Conveniently located near famously pristine beaches, Town, Miacomet Golf Course, Cisco Brewers, and bike paths. Features a private yard and shared pool.

Enjoy this private home for a week in Summer 2018 (dates to be determined with owner). Maximum 8 guests, no pets or smoking. Does not include transportation.





LIVE AUCTION



HOUSE of CARDS



A DAY ON THE SET OF THE NETFLIX-ORIGINAL SERIES, HOUSE OF CARDS

You and a guest can spend the day on set! Date to be mutually agreed upon by Michel Gill and the auction winner. Tour the Baltimore set and enjoy lunch with Michel Gill and Jayne Atkinson. Meet and greet members of the cast. Who knows who will pop in?

Many photo ops available.

Transportation not included.



RACE CAR DRIVING

LUXURY CARS

This is for the alphas. After a short safety presentation and an overview lesson on the cars - how to shift gears, where the parking brake is, and other stuff like that, you hit the road.

You get to drive six different cars for 20-30 minutes each on open roadways specifically chosen for this event. The cars currently being offered are the Ferrari F430, the Ferrari F430 Spider, and the Ferrari 360 Spider, the Lamborghini Gallardo, the Lamborghini Gallardo Spyder, the Lamborghini Murciélago and the Lamborghini Murciélago Roadster, the Bentley Continental GTC, and the Aston Martin DB9. The event starts and finishes in Englewood, New Jersey, and there are about 50 dates to choose from in any given year.

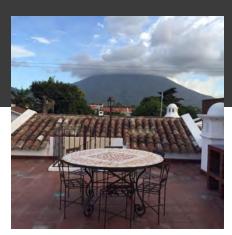




PARISIAN BEAUTY

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Have your portrait (or that of a loved one) painted by an internationally known Russian-Parisian artist, Alex Grig. Send her a photo, and she'll send you back a masterpiece on canvas. Treat yourself, or surprise a loved one!



LAND OF ETERNAL SPRING

1TEM # **2**

Spend a week at beautiful 3 bedroom Casa de Cordero in beautiful Antigua, Guatemala- a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Stroll the cobblestone streets, find your rhythm with salsa classes, zipline, make your own chocolate, hike a canyon and roast marshmallows over lava.



LOVE IS LOVE IS LOVE

ITEM #

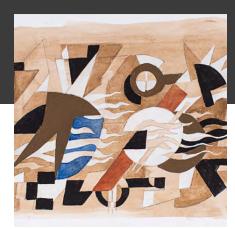
Lin-Manuel Miranda needs no introduction! Own a piece of history with these 4 beautiful t-shirts and autographed postcards by the creator of the smash hit "Hamilton."



PAMPER YOUR POOCH

ITEM #

The holidays are coming and what better way to pamper your dog than with a variety of toys and products from the Sporn Company whose creators of halters and harnesses have helped millions of dog owners humanely control pulling and jumping by their canine friends. WOOF!



OWN A PIECE OF HISTORY

1TEM # **5**

Internationally known Rosenberg & Co. Gallery in New York City is offering a once in a lifetime opportunity to win a beautiful, original gouache and pencil drawing by noted artist Tom John. A definite showpiece!



BECAUSE YOU ARE AN ORIGINAL

ITEM #

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Neely Bruce, esteemed American composer, conductor, pianist and Professor of Music at Wesleyan University will write an original "Friendly Fugue" musical portrait for you (or a loved one) based upon your name and your personality. Because there is only one YOU!



DOUBLE LAYERS

TEM #

Stay warm and fashionable with this rabbit poncho and cashmere stole combo package, bound to keep you comfy and beautiful throughout winter's coldest days!



EXPLORE YOUR ROOTS

ITEM #

Where are you from? Do you really know? Discover your family history with a four-hour genealogy research session with professional genealogist Roger Lustiq.



THIS ISN'T MONKEY BUSINESS

ITEM #

Take the family for a fun-filled day at the wonderful Bronx Zoo! No matter what the season, guests will love the wide array of animals! (Parking pass provided.)



BROOKLYN BOUND

10

Spend the day at the Brooklyn Museum. Your free parking passes will be followed by a one-hour tour of the museum led by a curator. After learning all about the beautiful works of art, finish your day with a lovely, discounted lunch at the museum's cafe. "CUL- CHA"



HERR MOZART, I PR<u>esume?</u>

11 #

You and a guest will attend a program of your choice of the acclaimed New Jersey Symphony Orchestra during the 2017-18 season, along with a VIP intermission reception. Your center orchestra seats will guarantee that you don't miss a beat!



GOAL!!!

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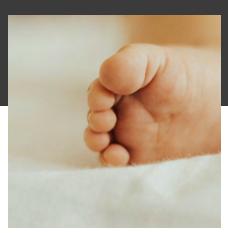
Feel the excitement 11 rows from the ice: New York Islanders vs NJ Devils Barclays Center, Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 1 pm. DON'T MISS OUT!



A TAPESTRY FOR LIFE (A)

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Looking for a special baby gift or keepsake? Then you're sure to love this one-of-a-kind handmade baby quilt that can be used to keep your little loved one warm or a beautiful wall hanging to brighten up any nursery!



A TAPESTRY <u>FOR LIFE</u> (B)

14 **14**

Looking for a special baby gift or keepsake? Then you're sure to love this one-of-a-kind handmade baby quilt that can be used to keep your little loved one warm or a beautiful wall hanging to brighten up any nursery!



ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS WILL WANT ONE

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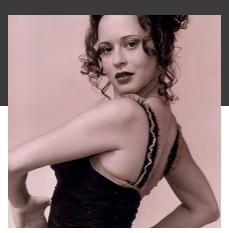
Make a bold statement in a unique black and white necklace designed by artist Rebecca Barber, daughter of a Sousa Mendes visa recipient.



I HAVE A THEORY

16

Add an elegant touch to your outfit with a luxury accessory: Theory's iconic "T- Bar" suede handbag. You might have to hit your friends over the head to stop them from touching it!



OLÉ!

17 **17**

Release the "gypsy" in you with two 1½ hour private flamenco lessons with award-winning Metropolitan Opera choreographer, Sara Erde, in her Brooklyn studio. Qué buéno!



I'VE GOT THE BLUES

18 **18**

Deep-rooted blues, gospel and soul traditions combine in an exciting double bill: singer-songwriter Ruthie Foster and the North Mississippi Allstars bring their ecstatic gospel and Southern blues-rock to Carnegie Hall on February 3, 2018, 9:00 pm. Two tickets. Rock on!

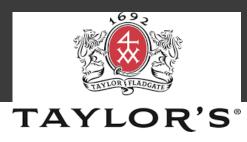


NEXT STOP GREENWICH VILLAGE

ITEM #

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Own an original Boro Bag Vase, sculpted by accomplished artist and daughter of a Sousa Mendes visa recipient, Gaia Starr. Perfect piece of art for any home!



FOR THE CONNOISSEUR

1TEM # **20**

TAYLOR'S Treat yourself to two Taylor Fladgate Port Wines. Savor the dark ruby, full luscious fat fruit mouthfeel of a 1987 Vargellas and the rich and full bodied 2007 Classic Taylor Fladgate. This basket also provides you with an elegant decanter, cheese knives and cutting board. FELICIDADES!!



YOUR VOTE COUNTS

1TEM # **21**

Have you ever wanted to know how the government operates? What really happens on the floor of Congress? Now is your chance. Congressman Jerrold Nadler is offering to take YOU to lunch, either in NYC or D.C. VOTE YES!!



FIVE STARS IN PORTUGAL

1TEM # **22**

Enjoy a 2-night stay in luxury accommodations at your choice of any hotel among the Pestana Pousadas de Portugal. Now through December 2018!



CELEBRATE GOOD TIMES

1TEM # **23**

This Dom Pérignon gift box will surely impress your hostess or friends. À VOTRE SANTÉ



A DIFFERENT KIND OF BUBBLY

1TEM # **24**

Stay fresh and clean as a whistle with this overflowing basket of soft towels and splendid soaps!



THANK GOODNESS WE ARE OVER 21

1TEM # **25**

A cocktail GOODIE basket for your next night at home or with friends. I CHAIM!



AN ARTIST'S TOUCH

1TEM # **26**

A scenic, beautiful painting awaits you. Artist Julio Rodriguez will catch your eye with this one-of-a-kind aquarelle!



YOU ARE ALL SET FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON (A)

1TEM # **27**

For forty years, Palm Bay International has been importing wines and artisanal spirits from stellar producers from top regions across 16 countries. Enjoy this abundant gift basket for your home or delight your host & hostess. TOAST TO FREEDOM!!!





YOU ARE ALL SET FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON (B)

1TEM # **28**

For forty years, Palm Bay International has been importing wines and artisanal spirits from stellar producers from top regions across 16 countries. Enjoy this abundant gift basket for your home or delight your host & hostess. TOAST TO FREEDOM!!!



YOU ARE ALL SET FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON (C)

1TEM # **29**

For forty years, Palm Bay International has been importing wines and artisanal spirits from stellar producers from top regions across 16 countries. Enjoy this abundant gift basket for your home or delight your host & hostess. TOAST TO FREEDOM!!!