# GILDED AGE GALA SILENT AUCTION CATALOG

# 1. Wrapped Elegance

Get inspired and love how you live...Never straying from the idea that functionality and beauty are connected, Lillian August has put together this luxurious and elegant gift basket of decorative objects. This collection will enhance any decor.

**Donated by: Lillian August** 

Value: \$250 Opening bid: \$80 / Additional bids: \$20

# 2. Fashionably Blue

Favored by Kate Middleton, Duchess of Windsor, and many other icons of style, aquamarine, is a bright and blue March birthstone and sought-after accessory. This stunning sterling silver aquamarine topaz pendent can be the picture-perfect highlight to your favorite cocktail dress or a pair of designer jeans.

**Donated by: Campus Jewelers** 

Value: \$490 Opening bid: \$160 / Additional bids \$20

#### 3. Silver Seduction

Movie stars do it....This year's fashionistas and Hollywood stars will infuse high-shine silver into their wardrobe and accessories. Purchase this stylish, puffed heart pendant and begin to complete your collection of must-have accessories to wear on any occasion.

**Donated by: Campus Jewelers** 

Value: \$300 Opening bid: \$100 / Additional bids \$20

#### 4. Forever Framed

This eye-catching black lacquer and Swarovski frame gifted by Artists Market combines the beauty and radiance of precision-cut crystal with the timeless elegance of lacquer. This beautiful frame will look stunning with any décor.

**Donated by: Artists Market** 

Value: \$145 Opening bid: \$50 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 5. An Exclusive Bradford Portrait

Be photographed at world-renowned Bradford Studio in New York! Bradford is considered one of the top portraitists in the world today with clients throughout the U.S. and abroad. In 2011, Bradford joined Gucci, Neiman Marcus, Saks Fifth Ave., Tory Burch, Louis Vuitton, Worth Ave. Yachts, Pucci, and other exclusive brands at 150 WORTH on world-famous Worth Ave. in Palm Beach. Winning bidder would be photographed by world- renowned photographer Bradford Rowley at Bradford Portrait's New York studio.

-Package also includes a 14" wall museum quality portrait

**Donated by: Bradford Portraits** 

Value: \$3,000 Opening bid: \$1000 / Additional bids: \$50

#### 6. TRAVEL IN STYLE

From Dooney & Bourke, with their steadfast commitment to enduring style and quality comes this stunning all leather handbag in a beautiful and all season chestnut color...the perfect handbag to accompany your travels in style whether you are heading to Washington D.C, or Paris, France.

**Donated by: Dooney & Bourke** 

Value: \$395 Opening bid: \$130 / Additional bids: \$20

# 7. All Fired Up

A gift certificate where you do the decorating, they'll do the kiln firing. 1 hour studio time for 6 painters where you'll have studio time to decorate pottery piece (or pieces) of your own choosing. The cost of the pottery is not included in this package, but all of the paints, glazes and firing are.

**Donated by: Hands On Pottery** 

Value: \$48 Opening bid: \$20 / Additional bids: \$10

# 8. A Gift of Beauty

Pamper yourself to any hair service in the elegant surroundings of the Meraki Salon and Spa in Norwalk, CT, where you will receive services of the very highest quality that will express who you are.

Donated by: Meraki Salon and Spa

Value: \$100.00 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$10

# 9. Luxury, Style and Comfort for your home

Brighten your room décor and add a luxurious accent with these magnificent custom beau monda cut velvet throw pillows by Olga Adler Interiors. Olga Adler is an award-winning interior designer and creative director of Olga Adler Interiors in Westport, CT.

**Donated by: Olga Adler Interiors** 

Value: \$400.00 Opening bid: \$140 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 10. Cocktails and Dinner for Two

Hurry down to The Little Pub in Wilton for cocktails and dinner for two. You're sure to enjoy this cozy tavern with great pub food and a variety of craft beers. Your VIP gift certificate includes two drinks, one shared appetizer, two entrees and one dessert. Reserve your table for a special dining experience.

**Donated by: The Little Pub** 

Value: \$100.00 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 11. The Cutting Edge

Family owned for seven generations and committed to the highest standards of quality, Wustoff technicians expertly craft each knife in Solingen, Germany today as they have been doing for the past 220 years. Bring their extraordinary "cutting edge" technology into your own home with the purchase of the handsome Grand Prix II knife set.

Donated by: Wustoff-Trident of America, Inc.

Value: \$499.00 Opening bid: \$160 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 12. Mozzarella Magic

Mild, milky, smooth and silky. Any way you stretch it, we LOVE the freshest of cheeses! The experts at Fratelli Market in Stamford will teach you and three guests how to turn curds into the beautiful balls we know as fresh mozzarella. Stock up on your other Italian essentials with the included \$50 Gift Card.

**Donated by: Fratelli Market** 

Value: \$150.00 *Opening bid: \$50 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 13. Dinner for Two: Your Choice of Restaurant (36)

**F.I.S.H.** Is Stamford's fresh, innovative seafood restaurant and bar where you'll enjoy a great raw bar, steaks and chopped salads in a tasteful atmosphere. Also offering daily specials, vibrant happy hours and a fantastic Sunday brunch. At **Quattro Pazzi**, you'll find fresh, seasonal and vibrant Italian food. With cuisine rooted in tradition, Chef Biagio "Gino" Riccio infuses contemporary preparations, ingredients, and influences into his delicious dishes. Which restaurant? You'll be happy with either choice!

Donated by: F.I.S.H / Quattro Pazzi

Value: \$80.00 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 14. A Capitol Time

Learn about Connecticut's history and the legislative process with the dynamic Senate Majority Leader **Robert Duff**. Either tour the Connecticut State Capitol building, a National Historic Landmark, and have lunch with **Senator Duff** -OR- bring **Senator Duff** to your child's classroom for a fantastic educational visit!

**Donated by: Senator Robert Duff** 

Value: \$250 Opening bid: \$100 / Additional bids: \$20

# 15. Sign of the Whale: \$100 Gift Card

HUGE describes Sign if the Whale; half gastro-Pub, half night-club at Harbor Point, Stamford's hippest destination. In good weather, the action's on the roof. When it gets cold, the crowd moves inside where the kitchen serves "elevated comfort food." Go for the Whale urged - it's young, fun and well, like HUGE! Here's \$100 to spend any way you like!

**Donated by: Sign of the Whale** 

Value: \$100.00 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 16. Delightful Dining

Outstanding Nuevo Latino cuisine in a hacienda-like setting and the area's finest natural foods restaurant.... so many mouth-watering meals to choose from at these two outstanding establishments.

**Brasitas - lunch for two** 

Donated by: The Lime - \$25 gift certificate

Total Value: \$85.00 *Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# 17. The Joy of Great Wine - A Tasting for Eight at Your Home

Since 1986, Grapes has been offering personal, expert service for wine lovers, delivering the finest wines to the finest homes in Connecticut. They have done all the tasting, comparing, testing and discarding to come up with their hand-picked selections. You provide the food and glassware and Grapes Wine will bring their top wine picks for you and your guests to enjoy.

**Donated by: GrapesWine.com** 

Value: \$650 Opening bid: \$220 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 18. Plug Me In

For all your major appliance and electronic needs, you'll find the staff knowledgeable and friendly and the prices are unbeatable at this retailer. Take \$200 of the top of any purchase with this gift certificate.

**Donated by: Aitoro Appliances** 

Value: \$200 Opening bid: \$70 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 19. What a Great Time to be a Wine Lover

Celebrate a special occasion, your latest success or anything in between with these 6 wonderful bottles, hand-selected by the LMMM Gilded Age Gala Committee:

2011 Leone d'Oro Vino Nobile Di Montepulciano

2013 Cruz Alta Grand Reserve Malbec - Argentina

2014 One Hope Merlot - California

2015 Acacia Chardonnay Carneros

2015 Intrinsic Cabernet Sauvignon - Columbia Valley, USA

2016 Peuch-Haut Saint Drezery Prestige Rose - Languedoc-Roussilon, France

**Donated by: LMMM Gilded Age Gala Committee** 

Total Value: \$125 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 20. Something for Everyone...

...at this gem of a restaurant in South Salem, NY. Featuring a wide variety of Italian, American and Mediterranean dishes, all diners will surely be pleased.

Donated by: One Twenty Three Restaurant & Bar

Value: \$50 *Opening bid:* \$20 / Additional bids: \$10

# 21. Step Out In Style

Do your feet a favor with **eight \$25 gift cards** from Hawley Lane Shoes, New England's largest independent shoe retailer. Ugg, Merrell, Sherry Top Sider, Clarks, Rockport, Teva, Dansko, SAS and many more brands...buy them all!

**Donated by: Hawley Lane Shoes** 

Value: \$200 *Opening bid: \$70 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 22. Smell That Smoke

Fresh, homemade and high quality aren't just catchwords; they form the foundation for great places to have fun while sampling some of the best-smoked foods in the country. All three restaurant preparations follow the traditions of Southern barbecue, but with other influences that make their tastes unique.

Donated by: Dinosaur Bar B Que - sauces and rubs

BJ Ryan's Banc House - \$50 gift card

BJ Ryan's - \$25 gift card

Total Value: \$95 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$10

#### 23. A Year of Ice Cream

What would you say to a year's supply of ice cream...one quart a month for each of 12 months? PRETTY "COOL"? Sweet Ashley's is the best homemade ice cream in Fairfield County. With over 35 flavors to choose from, you're sure to find something delicious with each pickup!

**Donated by: Sweet Ashley's** 

Value: \$114 Opening bid: \$40 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 24. New Design

Carol Brewer Interiors, LLC provides design services for both residential and executive spaces, small and large. By the day or by the project. This **one-hour design consultation\*** can be the beginning of a new look for your home or office.

Donated by: Carol Brewer Interiors, LLC

Value: \$250 Opening bid: \$80 / Additional bids: \$20

\*Design Consultation must be within 25 miles of Stamford or Manhattan

# 25. Punch it Up!

With a mission to renovate and revitalize personal training for real results, coach clients through safe, effective, customized workouts, and guide each individual through a detailed, comprehensive wellness program, Revolution Training's Stamford specialists will assist you in achieving your personal goals. You'll feel and see tangible results by adding these **Ten General Membership classes** and **Five 30-minute Personal Training Sessions** to your exercise routine.

**Donated by: Revolution Training (Personal Training and Boxing)** 

Value: \$575 Opening bid: \$200 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 26. I Love Weekends

Enjoy sophisticated style and supreme comfort in this "getaway" close to home. Your **one-night weekend stay for 2** includes one superior king room, breakfast for 2 and complimentary parking. Enjoy **lunch for two** at Mediterraneo Restaurant, located in the hotel and where the menu abounds with seafood. Also serving delicious wood-fired pizzas and decadent desserts. Couple these offerings with a magnificent riverside setting and you have the makings of a most memorable mini-vacation!

Donated by: Hotel Zero Degrees Norwalk Mediterraneo Restaurant

Total Value: \$225 *Opening bid: \$75 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 27. Your Morning Wake Up

Start your day with the perfect brew made in this classic 12 cup Programmable Coffeemaker from Cuisinart. It's fully automatic, ergonomically designed and loaded with multiple features. Share delicious coffee with friends and family in the morning or at any time...we're even providing the mugs! For an additional treat, enjoy baked goods from three local, venerable establishments. What a way to start the day!

Donated by: Friend of the LMMM Forever Sweet Bakery - \$30 gift card The Granola Bar - \$25 gift card Muro's New York Bakery & Deli - \$25 gift card

Total Value: \$175 Opening bid: \$60 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 28. Flower Power

The weather may be turning colder, but flowers, blooming plants, and creative ideas are always in plentiful supply at our two best local florists. These **two gift cards** equal "sunshine for your home" during any time of year.

Donated by: Bruce's Flower Shop - \$50 Mr. Red Rose - \$50

Total Value: \$100 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 29. International Dining Norwalk

Modern Italian meets old world cuisine. Exquisitely prepared Spanish tapas and main dishes. Lovely settings. Great wines and cocktails. Happy Hour specials. All can be yours with the purchase of this package. Happy feasting!

Donated by: Bar Sugo - \$100 gift card

La Paella Tapas Wine Bar Restaurant - \$50 gift certificate

Total Value: \$150 *Opening bid: \$50 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# 30. Pamper Package

Indulge in the delights of fine hand-made soaps, nourishing skin care products and delightful bath goods. A Nod Hill Soap gift bag and **gift card** to get you started. Then, let the talented technicians at Dove Spa & Nails turn two manicures into two works of art.

**Donated by: Nod Hill Soap** 

**Dove Spa & Nails** 

Total Value: \$94 *Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$10* 

# 31. Floral Fireplace

From a waterfront home in Greenwich, CT this estate find was hand selected by renowned designer, Carol Brewer. Executed in wrought iron and stained glass in an unusual roses and hummingbirds motif, this magnificent folding fireplace screen will add beauty to any hearth. (41"H; center panel 27-1/2"W; two side panels each 11-1/2"W)

Donated by: Carol Brewer Interiors, LLC

Value: \$1500 Opening bid: \$500 / Additional bids: \$50

# 32. Hurray for the Red, White, and Blue

Wine and candles are always a cause for celebration. Here's a lovely RED Cabernet Sauvignon, a vibrant WHITE Pouilly-Fuisse and eight cased glass BLUE cut to clear votive holders...perfect for any party!

2013 Jordan Cabernet Sauvignon - Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

2014 Vielles Vignes Pouilly-Fuisse - Domaine Corsin

**Donated by: Friend of the LMMM** 

& Dan's Liquors

Total Value: \$115 *Opening bid: \$40 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# 33. Shape Up or Ship Out

Don't put it off any longer! Receive an initial consultation, then start exercising with 3 in-home personal training classes with Joe Savoia of Personal Training Connection. You know you need it!

**Donated by: Joe Savoia, Personal Training Connection** 

Value: \$300 *Opening bid: \$100 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 34. I've Been Framed

At this Wilton gallery, you'll find a wonderful array of fine art, limited edition prints, mirrors, unique easel back photo frames and a huge selection of moldings to make a choice when designing your home. A **\$50 gift card** is displayed in a frame with a whimsical mat for you to color and pencils included.

**Donated by: River Road Gallery** 

Value: \$80 *Opening bid:* \$25 / Additional bids: \$10

# 35. Fall Into Style

Find out why 1 in 5 men's suits are purchased here. Also stocking dress shirts, sports coats, blazers and casual clothing for an always fashionable look. \$100 gift certificate to be used at any Wearhouse location.

**Donated by: Men's Warehouse** 

Value: \$100 *Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# **36. Fine Dining With a Warm Welcome**

Discover one of Ridgefield's newest restaurants. Gather, eat and drink in a welcoming atmosphere where chefs with a "fervor for flavor" create bold dishes with fresh ingredients. Great cocktails and Happy Hour specials, too. **\$80 gift card** 

**Donated by: Barn Door Restaurant** 

Value: \$80 *Opening bid: \$25 / Additional bids: \$10* 

#### 37. Get the Look You Deserve

A gift certificate for a haircut by a brilliant stylist dedicated to making every guest look their best, Bob Bevalacqua is a seasoned professional at the Rick Garcia Salon. He'll be all you need when you are looking for a fabulous haircut.

Donated by: Bob Bevalacqua

Value: \$150 Opening bid: \$50 / Additional bids: \$20

# 38. We're Always Open

Welcome to your neighborhood 24-hour, 7 days per week, and 365 days per year gym! Whether you're a beginner or a fitness regular, you'll love working out on top of the line equipment in a clean facility staffed by professionals who care about every member's individual needs and goals. Your **12 month membership** also gives you access to 3500 clubs worldwide, so getting fit and staying fit will be convenient, friendly and fun!

**Donated by: Anytime Fitness, Norwalk** 

Value: \$700 *Opening bid: \$230 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# 39. We're Always Open - 2

Work out any time without the stress of being on time for a class with a **1-month membership** to *Anytime Fitness, Norwalk*. This package also includes **two hours of personal training** for the healthiest you!

**Donated by: Anytime Fitness, Norwalk** 

Value: \$220 *Opening bid: \$75 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# 40. Frame Me!

Known as a "Renaissance Woman" for her varied accomplishments in the fields of architecture, interior design, photography, illustration and fine art, Gail Ingis offers you this magnificent matted print. With works in the permanent collection of the Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum and exhibitions in many other venues, Ms. Ingis is represented locally by Rockwell Galleries. Included is a \$75 gift card good towards framing this beautiful piece.

Donated by: Gail Ingis &Tom Claus Rockwell Art & Framing, Westport

Total Value: \$385 *Opening bid: \$75 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 41. The Senate with the Senator

Truly a once in a lifetime opportunity! Meet our very own U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal for breakfast for four, and then a staff member will greet you for a very private tour of the Senate. Walk through the corridors of power, learn some of the fascinating history of the Senate, and maybe get a chance to shake hands with some of our nation's leaders. Don't miss this opportunity!\*

**Donated by: Senator Richard Blumenthal\*** 

Value: \$2000 Opening bid: \$650 / Additional bids: \$50

#### 42. On the Water and On the Town

Enjoy marvelous waterfront dining in Rowayton and in-town dining in South Norwalk at these two restaurants. Both are popular destinations serving food featuring the finest ingredients based on seasonal quality and availability. Watch the people. Watch the boaters. With this hand-painted wooden plate, you can take the seafood theme home with you!

Donated by: Rowayton Seafood - \$100

Sedona Taphouse - \$50 Nut Dog Creations-\$30

Total Value: \$176 *Opening bid:* \$60 / Additional bids: \$20

<sup>\*</sup> See certificate for redemption instructions and special restrictions

#### 43. From the Harbor to Your Table

Enjoy a basket filled with local, natural, sustainable food products and a **\$20 gift card** from this Norwalk farm to table neighborhood market. Also offering cooking classes and catering services.

**Donated by: Harbor Harvest** 

Value: \$100 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 44. A Science Adventure

Explore 165+ thrilling hands-on activities and exhibits, as State of the art 3D digital theatre plus daily programs and events. Spend the day in Hartford and build, design, touch, learn, race and much, much more...there's always something new to discover. Two General Admission passes.

**Donated by: Connecticut Business Systems\*** 

Value: \$50 Opening bid: \$20 / Additional bids: \$10

\*Passes expire 6/30/18

#### 45. Move With Ease

The Feldenkrais Method will teach you how to discover, investigate and transform your movement habits to improve your comfort, enjoyment, and confidence. Experience a flowing body and a flexible mind. Your journey begins with a private Feldenkrais session with Cathy Paine and one Feldenkrais class at MoveAbility in Norwalk.

**Donated by: Cathy Paine** 

Value: \$135 Opening bid: \$35 / Additional bids: \$20

# 46. Are You Hungry?

Enjoy delicious food and a casual, cozy atmosphere at one of the area's favorite destinations. Using high-quality ingredients, all food is prepared daily. Offering breakfast, lunch, snacks, dinner, and catering. With \$100 to spend....you'll see what makes this place so special!

**Donated by: Silvermine Market** 

Value: \$100 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 47. It's In The Bag

Designed to hold all your essentials, including a small laptop, this roomy "Aken Tote" with extra pockets is sure to become your new best friend. Its woven cotton chevron design will take you through all four seasons.

Donated by: J. McLaughlin

Value: \$158 Opening bid: \$50 / Additional bids: \$20

# 48. Serve Your Bread in Style

Each morning the dedicated bakers at Cobs High Ridge are up early making bread from scratch for you to enjoy. Fill your larder with 10 loaves of freshly baked white, whole wheat or country grain bread...all containing no added sugars, colors or preservatives. Serve your bread on this lovely cherry board with a handmade stoneware dipping bowl. Its wood art designed with a purpose and representative of the unique, custom-designed, US-created objects featured at this New Canaan store.

Donated by: Cobs High Ridge Against the Grain

Value: \$105 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 49. Candy Without the Calories...How Sweetz-A-Riffic!

Get your jelly bean fix with this bright, colorful, beautifully printed Sweetz-A-Riffic messenger bag. Lots of pockets and zippers and even a mesh pocket to stow your drink make this great for young and old, for school or any purpose.

**Donated by: Candy Nichols** 

Value: \$48 Opening bid: \$15 / Additional bids: \$10

#### 50. Ooh-la-la at She la la!

Shop with up to 20 of your friends in this happy and welcoming New Canaan boutique where many of the items are from local craftspeople, much of the jewelry is made by local designers and a good deal of the furniture is one-of-a-kind. At your Shopping Party, all will enjoy a 20% discount on everything in the store. Wine is included. Here's a \$100 Gift Card to get you started!

Donated by: She la la

Value: \$600 Opening bid: \$200 / Additional bids: \$20

# 51. New Canaan Moderns: A Driving Tour for Four

Take an informative driving tour of New Canaan's fantastic modern houses with Jack Trifero! You'll learn about the Harvard Five architectural movement that began in the 1940's and the histories of important town buildings that were a part of it. While highlighting some of the most beautiful roads in picturesque New Canaan, you'll view twelve samples of modern architecture by the Harvard Five: Marcel Breuer, Landis Gores, John Johansson, Philip Johnson, and Eliot Noyes. You'll also visit examples from other important architects of the period. Tour dates and departure times are flexible. Driving tours last approximately 1-1/2 hours.

**Donated by: Modern House Man** 

Value: \$240 *Opening bid:* \$80 / Additional bids: \$20

# 52. Amazing Grace

New Canaan's Grace Farms is a gift of open space and extraordinary architecture. The complex incorporates an 83,000 square foot multi-use building and covered walkways called the River which Pritzker Prize-winning architectural studio SANAA designed to blend almost transparently into the surrounding 80 acres of woodlands, wetlands, and meadows. A center for nature, arts, community, justice and faith, the possibilities are as open as the land itself. Enjoy the **Grace!** 

**Donated by: Grace Farms Foundation** 

Farms Tour for Two that accompanies this thoughtful gift bag.

Value: \$100 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20

# 53. Fact and Fiction in the Gilded Age

Immerse yourself in the captivating and highly readable *Chief Engineer* by Erica Wagner, a portrait of Washington Roebling, chief engineer of the Brooklyn Bridge. *The Address* by Fiona Davis tells the fictional tale of two very different working women who lived a hundred years apart and the mystery that may or may not connect them and link their fates.

**Donated by: Elm Street Books** 

Value: \$54 Opening bid: \$20 / Additional bids: \$10

# **54.** Power of the Pony

For decades, the Polo Pony and the signature Polo shirt have been two of the most recognized symbols in global fashion - donned by world leaders, Hollywood royalty and other icons of fashion. The Polo logo and Polo shirt carry the resonance and spirit of the sport after which they are named and stand as enduring symbols of quality and timeless American style. Take the Power of The Pony home with you this evening. This shirt may be exchanged for size and/or color.

**Donated by: Ralph Lauren, New Canaan** 

Value: \$85 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$10

# **55.** Jingle Jangle Bangle

Sterling silver with a 14K gold ball clasp...wear this lovely piece alone or layered with the bangle bracelets you already have.

Donated by: Stamford's Nagi Jewelers

Value: \$200 Opening bid: \$70 / Additional bids: \$20

\* No exchanges

#### 56. Reel in a Fresh Tie

Teeny, tiny whales swimming across this whimsical silk tie set it apart from the world of whale less ones. Handmade in the USA.

**Donated by: Vineyard Vines** 

Value: \$85 Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$10

#### 57. Our Garden is Your Garden

The Bartlett Arboretum is a natural preserve like no other in this region, highlighting the best of what Connecticut's native landscape has to offer: magnificent trees, charming gardens, wildflower meadows, walking trails, varied wildlife, and native habitats. Your **one-year Family Membership** provides invitations and discounts to Bartlett sales, programs, and events and also to many local businesses. The newly published Images of Modern America: Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens follows the history of this exquisite Stamford jewel. A **gift basket** of Bartlett "goodies" accompany your membership.

**Donated by: Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens** 

Value: \$127 *Opening bid: \$40 / Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 58. Goal!

Playing at the world's most famous arena, Madison Square Garden, NEW YORK RANGERS games have become a must-see event for any hockey lover. TWO TICKETS (Section 209, Row 15, Seats 11 & 12) for Monday, November 6 - Rangers vs Columbus Blue Jackets.

**Donated by: Howard Weinberg** 

Value: \$124 Opening bid: \$40 / Additional bids: \$20

# 59. Date Night

Use the four passes to the State Theatre in Stamford for delightful cinema that will fill your mind. In continuous operation since 1927, this historical movie house is your "go to" for first run films. Enjoy casual dining a short walk from the theatre...neighborhood favorites for pizza, burgers, ribs...and post-movie discussion

Donated by: Garden Homes Management Corporation - \$40 Amore Cucina & Bar - \$30 gift card Vinny's Backyard - \$25 gift card + a free pizza

Total Value: \$100 *Opening bid: \$30 / Additional bids: \$20* 

# **60.** A Pressing Matter

Starting with a passion for a healthy lifestyle and eating clean, healthy and natural foods, New Canaan Olive Oil has expanded their product line from olive oil and vinegar to an array of gourmet ingredients, organic sugars, salts, spices, teas and more. This **gift basket** introduces you to the products that started it all. Enjoy a sampling of their offerings and learn about olive oil, balsamic vinegar and more while enjoying the company of your friends in a private setting with a **one-hour tasting event for 10!** (FREE GIFT for each guest and 10% of any purchases made at your tasting event will be donated to the Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum) **Donated by: New Canaan Olive Oil** 

Value: \$250 Opening bid: \$85 / Additional bids: \$20

# 61. Our Daily Bread Gift Basket

As bread emerges from the oven, warm and fragrant, friends gather around communal tables, the hum of conversation fills the air, jam is passed and time slows. Start your day with the pleasure of this assortment of organic jams, spreads and a sampling of organic teas plus \$25 gift card to spend on pantry products, at the bakery or in the restaurant.

Donated by: Le Pain Quotidien, New Canaan

Value: \$50 Opening bid: \$20 / Additional bids: \$10

#### 62. Be a Rock 'N Roll Star

For over 20 years, Austin Guitars has been producing instruments inspired by classic shapes and tones. Their products stand out as among the highest value brands in the market. The meticulous design and quality craftsmanship of this ATC200 electric guitar makes for a really enjoyable player experience whether you are already a Rock 'n Roll star or just an aspiring one.

**Donated by: New Canaan Music** 

Value: \$200 Opening bid: \$70 / Additional bids: \$20

#### 63. Gilded age "Must Reads"

The drama, expansion, mansions, and wealth of the transformative Gilded Age are captured magnificently in this collection of books about the era. Experience the vivid tapestry of American society at the turn of the century as you turn the pages of:

The Age of Innocence - Edith Wharton

Empty Mansions - Bill Dedman & Paul Clark Newell, Jr.

The American Heiress - Daisy Goodwin

Sargent's Women - Donna M. Lucky

The Gilded Age in New York 1870-1910 - Esther Crain

**Donated by: Barrett Bookstore** 

Value: \$115 Opening bid: \$40 / Additional bids: \$20

# **64. Lovely Locks**

Creative and individualistic are how you define your style, and Rusk products let you do just that. It's all in the hair care basket. Everything from the basics to the luxurious...hair brushes, an ionic hair dryer, shampoos, conditioners, gels, mousses...all to saturate your hair with nutrients, give it incredible shine and luster and bring out the best in you!

**Donated by: Conair Corporation** 

Value: \$632 *Opening bid: \$200/ Additional bids: \$20* 

#### 65. A Year of Cinema

With an Avon Theatre Film Center Dual/Couple Gift Membership you'll enjoy reduced adult regular admission for two, discounts on special events, members-only sneak previews, free admission on your birthday, a free ticket for each member when joining, weekly Avon e-news with movie schedules and reviews and some of the best film viewing in Fairfield County. (The FREE POPCORN coupons are an added bonus!)

Donated by: Stamford's Avon Theatre Film Center, Inc.

Value: \$120 Opening bid: \$40/ Additional bids: \$20

# 66. Shop New Canaan

You'll delight in the merchandise at *The Whitney Shop*, a store that offers a variety of boutiques under one roof and selections that change from season to season. With a combination of hand-selected gemstones, exceptional service, and quality, you're sure to find the perfect jewelry adornment at *Pennyweights*. Visit *Shoes 'N More* and make your feet happy; you'll be sure to find the perfect shoe for every and any occasion.

Donated by: The Whitney Shop - \$75 gift certificate Pennyweights - \$50 gift card Shoes 'N More - \$50 gift card

Value: \$175 Opening bid: \$60/Additional bids: \$20

# 67. VACATION AT THE VINEYARD...

#### 4 DAY FALL OR SPRING GETAWAY AT A STUNNING WATERFRONT HOME

Enjoy a special fall or spring weekend at Martha's Vineyard in this inviting 5000 square foot Richard Bergmann designed home set on 3.5 wooded acres with spectacular views of Vineyard Sound and within walking distance of a private beach and tennis courts. This comfortable 4 bedroom, 4.5 bath home sleeps 8 adults and is the perfect getaway for family and friends! Start your day on the secluded patio bathed in morning light. Enjoy a lazy afternoon on the ocean-view deck. End your day sitting by a cozy fire in the living room. This lovely home is located in the historic town of Chilmark on the North Shore in the private Association of Spring Point. Check with the owners to choose the dates for your four day (Friday through Monday) weekend. Plan your visit for Spring or Fall 2018. Sorry, no pets.

Donated by: Patsy and Dick Brescia

Value: \$4,000 Opening bid: \$3,000 / Additional bids: \$100

#### 68. The Silk Touch

Treat yourself to a holiday décor shopping spree forever blooming silk floral arrangement with this Gift Certificate by *The Silk Touch*, a renowned silk flower and design resource located in Norwalk, Connecticut. Owner Danna Di Elsi customizes floral arrangements with the finest silk in the world for corporate and residential interiors.

**Donated by: Danna Di Elsi** 

Value: \$250 Opening bid: \$75/ Additional bids: \$20

# 69. Brighten Up Your Nights

This very stylish table lamp donated by Oriental Furnishings features a crystal and metal base with an elegant bronze finish, crystal pendants, and a drum shade, which highlights the perfect fusion of contemporary design and old-world craftsmanship.

**Donated by: Oriental Furnishings** 

Value:\$135 Opening bid: \$40/ Additional bids: \$10

# 71. Jose Feliciano Concert

2 VIP tickets to the Jose Feliciano Golden Anniversary Tour. Find renowned singer Jose Feliciano Golden Anniversary 2018 Concert Tour and meet and greet with this extraordinary performing artist, "Anywhere you e around the world" Check out Tour Calendar at josefeliciano.com

2 VIP tickets with Jose Feliciano anywhere in the world

**Value: \$250-\$500**Opening bid: \$50/ Additional bids: \$20

depending on the concert venue

#### 72. Norwalk Harbor

Two beautiful prints artfully framed and signed by the artist, depicting a vintage Norwalk harbor and charming seascape. Perfect with any décor; for your home or office.

Donated by: Patsy and Dick Brescia

Value: \$150 Opening bid: \$50/ Additional bids: \$20

#### 73. Now You See It...Now You Don't

This ever-changing photographic image by award-winning artist Miggs Burroughs employs the lenticular process. With four TIME Magazine covers, one of which, along with the Easter Egg he created for the White House, reside in the Smithsonian Institution, this photograph is a museum quality work for any home or office's art collection.

**Donated by: Miggs Burroughs** 

Value \$650 *Opening bid: \$100/ Additional bids: \$50* 

# 74. Two matching Buffet Lamps

Your home should be filled with comfort, personalized style, and beauty by the famed CT Design Center who donated this magnificent pair of antique finish buffet lamps with a fern decorative metal base and an elegant silk shantung shade with decorative beading.

**Donated by: CT Design Center** 

Value: \$510 *Opening bid: \$100/ Additional bids: \$50* 

# GILDED AGE GALA LIVE AUCTION CATALOG

#### 1. BERSHIRE - JIMINY PEAK

Enjoy a full week in the Berkshires in this luxurious two Bedroom Townhouse Condo with vaulted ceilings and a Loft that can sleep up to 6 people. With breathtaking views of the mountains from every room and a beautiful back deck, you will never want to leave! Although Jiminy Peak is only 30 minutes away from Tanglewood, home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and the historic town of Lenox, where you will find top entertainment and fine dining. This condo has a full kitchen with washer and dryer and delightfully equipped. Relax cozily in the Living Room and Dining Room featuring a fireplace, wrap-around windows and skylights, and more. This condo comes with two full Bathrooms with tub and stall shower in the Master Bath. The Condo is on a Resort with pools, activities, and 3 Restaurants including John Harvey's, representing a renowned beer company.

**Donated by: Cecile Roth** 

Value: \$1,463 Opening Bid: \$600

**Suite Confirmation Details with purchase** 

#### 2. THE ULTIMATE PARADE IN THE USA

Be part of this year's excitement and enjoy VIP seating for four at the 2017 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. For over 90 years, this event has officially kicked off the holiday season. Watching the famous floats and helium balloons soar down the streets of New York and be entertained by the nation's best marching bands, hottest celebrities and thousands of clowns! Four VIP Viewing Passes for entry into Macy's private Parade Grandstands (lining the perimeter of Central Park between 60th and 76th Streets)

Donated by: Macy's

Value: Priceless\* Opening bid: \$800 / Additional bids: \$100

\* These tickets have no face value. The winner of this item will receive a voucher certificate that must be completed by the winner and sent to the address provided. The actual tickets will be sent to the winner with a November 20, 2017 Anticipated delivery date.

# 3. VACATION IN THE CARIBBEAN AND PANAMA – YOUR CHOICE OF TWO RESORTS

# A. The Verandah Resort & Spa, Antigua

The Verandah Resort & Spa is an eco-friendly Caribbean beachfront resort with two spectacular white-sand beaches, four pools, nature trails to historic Devil's Bridge, four restaurants, tennis & fitness center, non-motorized water sports, kids club, mini golf, mini cinema and the world-class Tranquility Body & Soul Spa. Perfect for those seeking a romantic getaway, a family vacation or just looking to escape and leave the world behind.

#### Details:

- o Valid for up to 2 rooms (double occupancy) for 7 nights
- Winner responsible for airfare and an all-inclusive supplement of \$140 per person per night, plus government tax (which provides for dining, beverages, resort facilities, activities, service charges and gratuities)
- Additional peak season surcharge of \$50 per person per night applies December 21 to April 15
- o Reservations subject to availability, some restrictions apply
- o Expires December 20, 2018

Donated by: Elite Island Resorts

Value: \$3500 *Opening bid: \$500 / Additional bids: \$500* 

#### 6. Los Establos Boutique Inn, Panama

Winner of the Travelers' Choice 2015 Award, this distinctive collection of comfortable suites nestled 4,000 ft. above sea level spread across 16 acres of lush coffee plantation with panoramic views of the Baru Volcano set against green mountains and blue waterfalls. Experience a rainforest safari, zip lining, spa treatments, hiking to the waterfalls and more! All deluxe accommodation feature marble bathrooms and private patios.

# Details:

- o Valid for up to 3 rooms (double occupancy) for 5 nights (value up to \$800 per room)
- Winner responsible for airfare and an all-inclusive supplement of \$115 per person per night, plus government tax (which provides for dining, beverages, resort facilities, activities, service charges and gratuities)
- Additional peak season surcharge of \$50 per person per night applies December 21 to April 15
- o Reservations subject to availability, some restrictions apply
- o Expires December 20, 2018

**Donated by: Elite Island Resorts** 

Value: \$3500 Opening bid: \$500 / Additional bids: \$100

# 7. ONLY ONCE A YEAR THE MANSION'S PERIOD DINING ROOM IS AVAILABLE TO HOST THE MOST EXCLUSIVE PARTY FOR 10 IN CONNECTICUT!

The Dining Room at the Mansion has only been used only on exceptional occasions for a formal dinner since 1938! Imagine yourself and your guests enjoying cocktails and appetizers followed by a sumptuous dinner surrounded by the splendor of this iconic Victorian-era mansion. This EXCLUSIVE and exciting package includes the Mansion, all yours for this special evening, access to the Period Rooms on the first floor, and a dinner for ten staffed and catered by **Best in Gourmet**. Dinner does not include wine, which will be charged separately.

**Value: \$10,000** *Opening Bid: \$5,000/Additional Bids: \$500* 

Funding Projects for a Better Future

Please note that the following are not auction items but funding projects for the Mansion where all paddle donations are accepted.

1) **Help us bring a classroom to the Museum:** Approx. costs to LMMM per class are \$350 (\$550 with bus)

Every year, thousands of students visit the Mansion. Help us bring students to this National Historic Landmark so that our youth can learn about the Civil War and 19<sup>th</sup>-century history, art, and technology. Each classroom visit costs LMMM **\$350. Your donation** will help us boost education in our communities.

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2) **Help us sponsor our Internship Program:** (Approx costs \$1,500 per Intern)

Our interns have been accepted at Yale, UConn, George Washington University... Every year we receive many requests for internships from our local high schools and colleges. LMMM's staff and volunteer educators provide educational guidance, and training in museum administration to help them acquire important skills for the future. Help us bring interns to LMMM and contribute to the productivity and future of our youth.

# **Open to Multiple Donations**

# LIBRARY'S GAS LIGHTS RESTORATION PROJECT

Conservation of a pair of three-arm bronze gas sconces with elaborate cast back plate, originally in the Library. They were installed by the Mathews family in 1876 and matching their gasolier. The finish will be brass with silver shade rings and silvered filigreed drop finials, fitted with reproduction etched glass shades to match the gasolier, conserved in 2010.

# **Open to Multiple Donations**