The Dinner Party, a first annual tradition for The Whale Museum

Friday, September 14, 2018

The Auction

Silent Auction Items

(Bidding opens with the Reception and closes when we are seated for dinner.)

- “Foraging,” a tall cylinder vase, 7” across x 20” tall, with custom sand-etched Orca (Notch, J-47) in kelp by artist Teri Zimmerman. A recent graduate of the Marine Naturalist Training Program, Teri is a third generation artist. *Donated by Teri Zimmerman - Silvermoon Studio. Value: $300*

- **San Juans Vision Source:** certificate for Optical Hardware - eyeglasses or contact lenses (expires 3/14/19). *Donated by Dr. Chris T. White - San Juans Vision Source. Value: $300*

- An aromatic collection of lavender products from **Pelindaba Lavender Farm. Donated by Pelindaba Lavender Farm. Value: $90**

- **Dessert on Demand!** Jenny’s famous **Chocolate Shot Cake:** this layered Chocolate Whiskey Cake with chocolate butter cream frosting is enrobed in chocolate ganache. Surrounded by hand-made chocolate shot cups and a bottle of Jack Daniels on the side. Yes, you can drink your whiskey and eat the shot cup. Genius! Custom created for your celebration; two weeks’ notice required. *Created by Jenny Atkinson. Value: Priceless*

- “**Desolation Sound**” **Band:** a private show with local Friday Harbor band “Desolation Sound” – this band can keep it quiet, rock the house or anywhere in between – you may have caught this band at the SJC Fair, Mr. Belieavable’s, San Juan Brewery or any number of other venues – they play originals that are in the genre of alternative rock, a blend of The Cure meets Pearl Jam (90’s style alt rock). On a day, date and time to be agreed upon, Desolation Sound will come to your event, whether in your home or at a venue and play 2 – 3 hours of music for your enjoyment. *Donated by Scott Sluis. Value: $500*

**Centerpiece Auction**

Each table is graced with a **Centerpiece of Driftwood filled with succulents** sitting on slate. Designed and *Donated by Loriann of Aurora’s Farms of Friday Harbor. You have the opportunity to take one home!*

Bidding during dinner at each table for the Centerpieces. See information at each centerpiece for details.

**Live Auction: The Big 15**

1. **Earthbox & Theatre Package**
   Expand your horizons with a performance at the **San Juan Community Theatre** with these two Event Passes. Treat yourself to an **Earthbox Inn & Spa** experience with two 60 minute treatments at the Spa at Earthbox plus an overnight stay in Earth or Water Place (valid 10/1/18 thru 4/30/19, excludes holiday weekends). *Donated by the San Juan Community Theatre and Earthbox Inn & Spa. Total Value: $570*

2. **Fine Dining & Glamping Package: Lakedale Resort & Duck Soup Inn**
   Enjoy two nights “Glamping” at Lakedale Resort. Each Canvas Cabin has a queen-sized bed and a full-sized futon. Canvas cabins do not have electricity or running water, however, lanterns are provided and it’s a
short walk to the shared shower facility! Glampers are invited to the Mess Tent for breakfast each morning. The Canvas Cabins are great for up to four people, but please leave your furry friend at home (available May 2019- August 13, 2019; excludes Memorial Day Weekend, Labor Day Weekend, and July 1-5). Duck Soup, a comfortable country restaurant serving sophisticated Northwest cuisine: Just across the road from Lakedale Resort, use this Gift Certificate for $100 to enjoy a fine dinner at the Duck Soup. Experience fresh, seasonal, locally sourced and foraged foods (no expiration). Donated by Lakedale Resort and Duck Soup Restaurant. Total Value: $495

Happy Hour at The Cape Package
Happy Hour at the Cape for Six: join the Vande Gardes on their deck at Cape San Juan for libations and appetizers. Sit back, relax and enjoy the views – maybe even eagles and seals. If you’re really lucky, the whales may grace you with their presence. You probably won’t need dinner because when the Vande Gardes host, there is usually too much food! Party is for six people at a mutually agreed upon time and date. Remember this special evening with “Westside II,” a beautiful 16”x20” matted print by local artist Kristy Gjesme. Donated by Shelley & Verne Vande Garde and Kristy Gjesme. Total Value: $580

An Original Pastel by Nancy Spaulding
"Path Through the Wildflowers at Yellow Island,” a Framed Original Pastel, 22” x 28,” by local artist Nancy Spaulding. Donated by Spaulding Art Studio. Value: $850

Snug Harbor & Crystal Seas Kayaking Package
Explore the westside of the island with Crystal Seas Kayaking on a three hour kayaking for two people out of Snug Harbor (expires 9/15/19). After a day of paddling, enjoy a restful night’s stay at Snug Harbor Resort in a one bedroom cabin (expires 9/14/19; excludes June 1-Sept. 30). Donated by Snug Harbor Resort and Crystal Seas Kayaking. Total Value: $500

Raise the Paddle
The Whale Museum’s Exhibit Hall is open year-round, nearly every day! Annually, more than 34,000 visitors check out our exhibits. Did you know that the exhibit hall is free for San Juan County residents every Thursday? Each year, we aim to refresh exhibits and upgrade with the latest information, as well as add new exhibits. Help us keep it fresh and relevant!

Coho, Tucker House & Whale Watch Package
Experience the Salish Sea with Maya’s Legacy Whale Watching with these two seats on one of their premier whale watching & wildlife tours, departing from San Juan Island. Maya’s has included a fine art metal photograph by Captain Jeff Friedman and a set of cards by Sara Hysong-Shimazu. Dine at Coho Restaurant and then spend the night at Tucker House Inn: with this $75 gift certificate for dinner, dine at Coho Restaurant, in downtown Friday Harbor, which serves Island grown Pacific cuisine with a Mediterranean flair. Coho’s Chef creates exciting menus developed around the seasonality of fresh ingredients from the surrounding Islands. Then enjoy a one night saty in a Queen Jacuzzi Guest Room at Tucker House Inn (valid Sept. 15, 2018 – May 15, 2019; holidays and weekends excluded). Donated by Maya’s Legacy Whale Watching, Coho Restaurant, Tucker House Inn. Total Value: $793

Acceptable Payment to “The Whale Museum” includes cash, check or credit card (MasterCard, Visa, Discover, American Express)
Orcas Island Package
Escape to Orcas Island for a two-night stay at Sea Star Lofts (expires 9/15/19). Perched on the shore in charming Eastsound Village, Sea Star Lofts are the perfect launch for your island explorations. These beautiful guest apartments are just steps from the shoreline. Further indulge with a delicious dinner at New Leaf Cafe, also located on the main street in Eastsound ($100 gift certificate; cafe closed Tuesdays & Wednesdays, as well as December –January; reservations highly recommended). Donated by Sea Star Lodging on Orcas Island, and Outlook Inn & New Leaf Cafe. Total Value: $600

Whale of a Package
Day with Soundwatch: Spend an exhilarating day on-the-water helping boaters Be Whale Wise with the Soundwatch Team Program Coordinator and Captain Taylor Shedd. Exclusive guest invitation for TWO adults during September 2018 or the 2019 summer season (date subject to Soundwatch schedule). Wrap up this unique experience with a specially created woven blanket featuring photos of Granny (J-2) by local photographer & TWM Storyteller Jeanne Hyde. Included is a one year Family Eco-Adoption of a Southern Resident Orca of your choosing. Donated by Jeanne Hyde and The Whale Museum. Total Value: $415

An Original Oil Painting by Teresa Smith
“Underwater’s Surface,” a framed original oil painting on canvas, 16” x 20”, by local artist Teresa Smith. Her poem: "Ripples under water's surface... glimpse a fin--there for just a breath... then plunging to deep, deep blue." Donated by Teresa Smith. Value: $875

Raise the Paddle
The Whale Museum is expanding its educational reach through a Virtual Classroom, offering programs and tours to K-8 schools too far away to travel to the museum, as well as increasing its Outreach through our Outbreach program, taking education to kids off-island. With your help, we can exponentially increase our reach to the next generation of stewards!

Flight & Film: Kenmore Air & Friday Harbor Film Festival Package
Kenmore Air offers up a round trip for two between Seattle and the San Juan Islands (expiration September 30, 2019; not valid during the month of July; valid for single booking only). Get all access passes to the annual Friday Harbor Film Festival, Oct. 26-28, 2018. " Tales from the Heart, Things to Consider, Local Heros & Explorers & Adventures" includes films that entertain, inspire & enlighten. Included are two all access passes to the 2018 Friday Harbor Film Festival with FHFF swag (two hats and water bottles). Donated by Kenmore Air and Friday Harbor Film Festival. Total Value: $713

Fine Dining and the Theatre: Mike’s Café and Wine Bar & San Juan Community Theatre Package
Indulge in a 3-course Private Dinner for your party of eight at Mike's Café and Wine Bar, including four bottles of wine (dinner date/time to be arranged and mutually agreed to with Mike). Enjoy an evening of entertainment with eight passes to a performance at the San Juan Community Theatre. Donated by Mike’s Café and Wine Bar, John & Marcy Aschoff, and the San Juan Community Theatre. Total Value: $800
14 **Roche Harbor Package**

Getaway at Roche Harbor Resort: One night stay in a Quarryman Hall suite and dinner for two in McMillin’s dining room; to be used Oct. 1, 2018 thru mid-May, 2019. Quarryman’s Hall is the newest addition to Roche Harbor Resort's deluxe offerings, in the center of the village next to the Hotel de Haro. This boutique-inspired hotel features contemporary amenities while instilling the ambience of the turn of the century. McMillin’s Dining Room is an Island-Certified-Local restaurant with fresh products from local waters and fields. *Donated by Roche Harbor Resort. Value: $450*

15 **Newly Classified “Japan Pig” Pygmy Seahorse and Friday Harbor Labs Tour Package**

Crazy for sea life and science? Then this package is for you! Graham Short, the ichthyologist from California Academy of Sciences, and his colleagues recently realized a tiny seahorse, the size of a grain of rice, had not been classed before! Meet *Hippocampus japapigus or the Japan Pig*. Short explains that “to the locals, it resembles a tiny baby pig,” so it earned that appellation. These colorful creatures wear a paisley pattern. Arthur Ted Powell has created a beautiful rendering of the Japan Pig seahorse; a signed, numbered, limited edition print is available tonight. This package also includes a *private tour of Friday Harbor Labs with Dr. Graham Short*. *Donated by Graham Short. Value: Priceless*

**Raise the Paddle – Quick Bids to Support The Whale Museum’s Work**

The Whale Museum’s mission is to promote stewardship of whales and the Salish Sea ecosystem through education and research. We’ve been doing this since we first formed in 1976 and opened the Museum’s doors to the public in the summer of 1979 – all with great community support … your support! Thank you!

Tonight, we’re doing two *Raise the Paddles*. Funds raised will support our efforts in the following areas:

- The Exhibit Hall, open year-round to the public
- Education Programs including a new Virtual Classroom program

**How this works:** Duncan, our auctioneer, will apply the heat from the get-go, starting with the top bid of $1,000, then slowly taking the pressure off in the following increments: $500, $250, $100, $50, and $25. Raise your paddle, if you are so inclined, at the level that suits you! Your support is greatly appreciated! If you are feeling really hot, then shout out your own bid!

Thank you for your support!

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