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“ACTION IS CHARACTER.”

- *F. Scott Fitzgerald*

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ALEXANDER GILKES

PADDLE8 CO-FOUNDER AND PHILLIPS DE PURY AUCTIONEER



Born in the UK, educated at Eton and Bristol, Alexander soon abandoned an early career path in financial services where he worked at banks such as UBS and Lazard. He was inspired to seek more creative endeavors after earlier work experience with the likes of Stanley Kubrick. His deep passion for luxury and creativity led him to leave the finance world in pursuit of an influential role in the luxury sector. He became one of the youngest executives at LVMH. He was a member of the management team of Krug Champagne, one of the group's fastest growing companies.

Deciding to explore his fascination with the art world, he moved to New York and joined Simon de Pury, who recognized in him the ability to bring his sensitive vision and brand-building expertise to his auction house, Phillips de Pury. He was appointed Marketing Director and soon became Simon's auctioneering protégé. Phillips de Pury today belongs to Russia's leading luxury player, The Mercury Group.

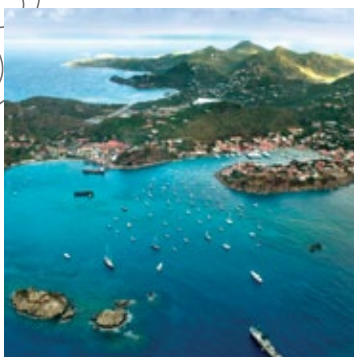
Alexander is the Co-Founder of an online art market called Paddle8. Paddle8 is an online destination geared towards a generation of collectors, artists, and gallerists who view the web as a viable space for learning and accessing contemporary art, free of geographical and time constraints. Paddle8 offers collectors access to the world's leading galleries, foundations and art fairs and provides a streamlined acquisition system, furnished with shipping, insurance, installation, and payment options. Curated exhibitions offer insider opinions and privileged access to acclaimed artists.

Alexander has lived in Chile, Russia, France, UK and Spain, and now considers New York home.

LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. All bids and sales are final and subject to the terms and conditions stipulated by the donor. **No refunds or exchanges on auction items are permitted.** All items have been donated to the Lycée Français de New York and are sold by the school and not the donor.
2. All auction items and service dates and times are to be arranged at the mutual convenience of donor and buyer if stipulated. Restaurant donations do not include tax, gratuity, or liquor, unless specifically stated.
3. The Lycée Français de New York warrants neither the quality nor the value of items and services auctioned. Descriptions of items have been made with every reasonable effort to be accurate, but all items are sold “as is” and “where is” and without warranty or representation of any kind to the correctness of the description, genuineness, authenticity, condition or quality of fitness for any purpose. Dollar values are estimates provided by the donor and are not warranted by the Lycée Français de New York for tax purposes or fair market value.
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5. The amount paid by a successful bidder that may be deductible for tax purposes is limited to the excess of that amount over the fair market value of the package. The Lycée Français de New York is not permitted, by law, to place a value on auction items.
6. The purchaser will be liable for damage to vacation homes and/or property.
7. Payment for auction items must be made in full by cash, check, stock transfer, electronic fund transfer or credit card (MasterCard, Visa, and American Express).
8. No lot will be sold for less than the minimum bid. Minimum bids are stipulated in the silent auction brochure.
9. Minimum bid increments should be made in accordance with the automated auction software system used.
10. The highest bidder for any item becomes the purchaser, at the full amount of the successful bid.
11. No bids will be accepted after the close of the auction. No exceptions.
12. Winning bidders will be notified by telephone or email no later than **Friday, March 23, 2012.**
13. All items may be paid for and claimed at the Development Office of the Lycée Français de New York, 505 East 75th Street, New York, NY 10021. The auction winner must pick up, or arrange for pick up of items won in the Silent and Live Auctions by Friday, April 27, 2012.
14. Shipping/handling of winner's items/packages is not included in the bid price. The Lycée Français de New York reserves the right to attach fees for the shipment/delivery of items not picked up by auction winners.
15. The Lycée Français de New York reserves the right to withdraw any item at any time before the actual sale of the auction item(s).
16. Limitations and expiration dates on certificates, vouchers, and other offers of goods and services are stipulated by the donor. **Unless otherwise stated, all auction items and services must be used before the expiration date specified. In case of discrepancy, neither the Lycée Français de New York, nor the donor, is obligated to make amendments or changes to the dates stipulated on the prize.**
17. **Live Auction Only:** The highest bidder acknowledged by the auctioneer shall be the purchaser. The auctioneer shall have sole and final authority to re-offer and resell an article in the event of a dispute.

The Sun Also Rises: A WIMCO VILLA ON ST. BARTS FOR 6



DONATED BY WIMCO VILLAS, LAURENCE AND DAVID ZARA AND TRADEWIND AVIATION

Imagine relaxing in your own private Wimco Villa on St. Barts. When you arrive, you will find it stocked with a buffet of fine food, fruit, bread, cheese and wine.

Enjoy the privacy of your own pool. Relax in the open air layout, listen to the music wafting through the house and gaze upon the sweeping views of the stunning blue waters far below.

During the day, you will visit pristine beaches and window shop in the quaint harbor town of Gustavia. At night, you will sample international cuisine at one of the many restaurants on the island, followed by live music and dancing. You will be invited to a private cocktail party hosted by Wimco's management.

This private three bedroom villa includes accommodation for up to six people for seven nights and unparalleled concierge services. Enjoy daily maid service and transportation to and from the airport to the villa.

Tradewind Aviation will provide up to six roundtrip tickets from San Juan to St. Barts. You will avoid St. Maarten and the usual missed connections and lost luggage and fly in complete privacy and comfort.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

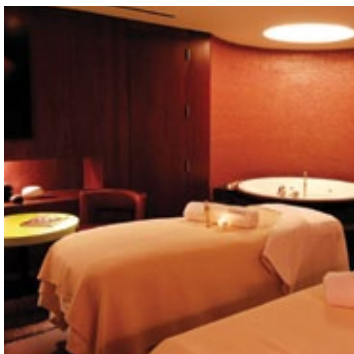
Wimco Villas:

- Available dates: March 17, 2012 to June 25, 2012, November 1, 2012 to December 14, 2012, January 5, 2012 to June 25, 2013, November 1, 2013 to December 14, 2013
- If the winner wishes to upgrade or travel during the blackout period, Wimco will apply a credit towards the gross price of the new villa the client chooses
- Car rental and meals not included

Tradewind Aviation:

- Tradewind flights valid only the months of March 2012 to May 2012, November 2012 to May 2013

CAUDALIE VINOThÉRAPIE SPA: A PRIVATE DAY OF INDULGENCE FOR 12



DONATED BY CAUDALIE USA AND THE PLAZA FOOD HALL BY TODD ENGLISH

Invite eleven friends to join you for a private pampering extravaganza. You will meet at Caudalie Vinotherapie Spa in the majestic Plaza Hotel.

Each guest will choose a facial, a massage and a scrub from the tantalizing menu of spa treatments which include: Vinosculpt Instant Facial, Wine Maker's Massage and Crushed Cabernet Scrub, to name a few. All of Caudalie's acclaimed treatments combine natural active ingredients inspired from the vineyard.

With your friends, break for engaging conversation over a delicious catered lunch provided by The Plaza Food Hall by Todd English.

End your day relaxed and recharged and invite your spouses or another twelve friends to join you for a wine and cheese reception. Caudalie founders, Mathilde and Bertrand Thomas, will speak about the wine and origins of Caudalie.

Each spa guest will receive a fabulous gift bag of Caudalie beauty products to take home. It is the perfect celebration for a birthday girl and her guests!

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Available on Mondays only
- Available March 17, 2012 to November 30, 2013, excluding the month of December 2012

A Room with a View:
 SPEND A ROMANTIC WEEK IN ITALY FOR 2



DONATED BY MASSIMO AND CHIARA FERRAGAMO, CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO, LUNGARNO COLLECTION HOTELS, THE DUKE HOTEL AND ALTOUR

This romantic week long trip begins in New York where you and your guest will travel roundtrip in Business Class luxury on American Airlines to Rome. You will savor the delights of the Eternal City before settling in for one night at the Duke Hotel, a boutique hotel near the glorious Villa Borghese.

The following day, you will be picked up and driven to the luxurious Castiglion del Bosco, a magnificent 800 year old private membership estate located near the legendary hilltop village of Montalcino. You will stay in Tuscan splendor for three nights. Experience exceptional wine, food and sports, set against the breathtaking landscape of the region's storied countryside. During your stay, you will enjoy two complimentary spa treatments, a cooking lesson with organic ingredients from the acclaimed kitchen, a golf lesson, a tour of the property and winery, a wine tasting with a master enologist and breakfast in one of the estate's beautiful suites.

You will then make your way to Florence, where you will stay at one of the following legendary Ferragamo properties: Hotel Lungarno, Lungarno Suites, Gallery Hotel Art, or Continentale. Enjoy a three night stay in a sumptuous suite including daily breakfast. You will be treated to a private tour of the Ferragamo museum, followed by a \$3000 shopping spree at the historic Ferragamo store.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Available from July 1, 2012 to August 31, 2013, excluding the months of May, June, September, October and trade exhibition periods
- City tax, where applicable, is not included
- Castiglion del Bosco will handle all airport transfers to and from Rome

FROM BVLGARI: THE LEGENDARY *Serpenti*

DONATED BY BVLGARI

A symbol of protection and regeneration, the serpent has been an icon of Bulgari design since the 1940s. The fabled jeweler's nature inspired gold and enamel bracelet-watches have coiled around the wrists of some of the world's most glamorous women including Elizabeth Taylor and Angelina Jolie. Bulgari, always devoted to preserving the past while making it modern, has created an updated, bold and contemporary interpretation of its legendary snake motif in dazzling 18 karat yellow gold with .293 carat diamonds in F/G color.



CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD: ONE CASE OF 2002

DONATED ANONYMOUSLY

The quality of Château Lafite Rothschild is unparalleled. In the mid-18th century, King Louis XV, introduced to the wine by the Marechal de Richelieu, made it extremely popular at Versailles. Thomas Jefferson, as ambassador to France in the days before the French Revolution, developed an affinity for the finest French wines, among them Château Lafite.

At the Universal Exposition of 1855, the wines of France were classified, and Château Lafite was one of only four to receive the highest classification: Premier Cru.

The 2002 vintage is a beautiful, bright, dark, ruby red from the Bordeaux region with subdued but pure aromas of currant, plum, minerals and graphite, with coconut and oak flavors. Arguably one of the most desired vintages, Robert Parker gives it a 94. A coveted addition to any collector's wine cellar.



This Side of Paradise:
 A WEEK VACATION IN TROPICAL LUXURY AT
 CASA DE CAMPO FOR 6



DONATED BY PARNES AND PREMIER RESORTS & HOTELS: CASA DE CAMPO

Casa de Campo is a dazzling resort on the southeastern coast of the Dominican Republic. Upon your arrival in paradise, your limousine will take your family of six to a private 8,000 square foot villa located within walking distance of an exclusive beach. Featuring a private pool and jacuzzi, a modern kitchen, along with six spacious bedrooms, the villa is perfect for unwinding in the most luxurious style. Your private chef will prepare fresh meals for you daily, except when you enjoy your complimentary meal at *The Beach Club by Le Cirque*. The resort's impeccable maid service will ensure that your villa is as pristine as the white sands of the beach.



A tropical playground, Casa de Campo offers unsurpassed amenities in its golf, tennis, riding and watersports. Cruise the 7,000 acre property in one of your two personal golf carts and enjoy three complimentary rounds of golf on legendary courses designed and inspired by Pete Dye including the *Teeth of the Dog*. Spend a day sailing the Caribbean with your own crew on a private 46 foot catamaran to Palmilla Island.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Valid from March 2012 to March 2013
- Blackout dates: December 15, 2012 to January 7, 2013
- Accommodation is for 6, extra guests can be added for an additional fee
- *The Beach Club by Le Cirque* dinner is for four, beverages not included
- Includes 3 complimentary rounds of golf for one foursome, alternating on the following resort courses: *Teeth of the Dog*, *The Links*, and *Dye Fore*
- Does not include cart or caddy fees for the rounds of golf
- Catamaran capacity is 25 guests



JEAN PAUL GAULTIER: AN EXCLUSIVE AND PRIVATE EXPERIENCE FOR 2



DONATED BY JEAN PAUL GAULTIER, OPENSKIES AND EXCLUSIVE AND PRIVATE

The style experience of a lifetime awaits. First you and your guest will fly roundtrip to Paris in Biz-Bed comfort on OpenSkies. Your chauffeur will take you to your legendary five star hotel, Le Meurice, where you will stay for two nights. Do not miss the famous breakfast there, included of course.

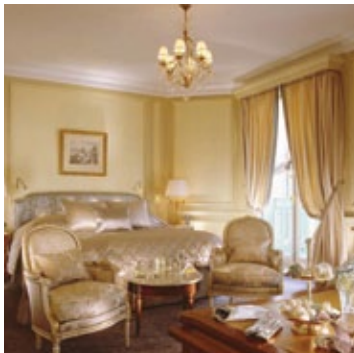
While in Paris, you will meet with world renowned fashion designer Jean Paul Gaultier, tour his design studio, attend his July 2012 Haute Couture fashion show with front row seats and shop at his prêt-à-porter boutique with a 3,000 Euros gift certificate. Memorialize this unique encounter with a personal photo alongside Jean Paul Gaultier himself.

The next day your chauffeur will drive you to Château de Bourron, a historic hotel outside of Fontainebleau, where you will stay overnight. You will indulge in a private tour of the magnificent Château Vaux-le-Vicomte, an inspiration for Versailles, with the owner himself, Count Jean-Charles de Vogue. Later that evening, you will dine in the extraordinary restaurant, Les Prémices, in the Château de Bourron.

Finally, return to Paris to experience the City of Light's Rive Gauche for one night at the famous Hotel Montalembert.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Valid from March 17, 2012 to March 17, 2013
- Hotel stays are subject to availability
- **OpenSkies** flights are subject to availability



A Passage to India: A WEEK IN THE ROYAL PALACES OF RAJASTHAN FOR 2



DONATED BY TAJ HOTELS RESORTS & PALACES AND ALTOUR

"I want to see the real India," wrote E.M. Forester in his classic novel, *A Passage to India*. You will do just that on this spectacular seven day tour of Rajasthan for two.

Your magnificent Indian journey begins on a Jet Airways Business Class flight to New Delhi, or Mumbai. Select two nights at either the distinguished Taj Mahal Hotel in New Delhi, where the treasures of the Mughals await, or at the exquisite Taj Mahal Palace in Mumbai, which presides over the gateway to India.

Next, travel to the famed city of Agra, where you will enjoy one night at the Gateway Hotel. Take the day to visit the iconic monument to love, the Taj Mahal.



After your visit to Agra, spend two nights perched high in the Blue City of Jodhpur at Umaid Bhawan Palace. Set amidst 26 acres of lush gardens, this art deco style palace is the last of the great palaces of India and one of the largest private residences in the world.

Your luxurious journey will be capped off with two nights at the Taj Lake Palace in Udaipur, located in the middle of Lake Pichola. The Palace is a dream of white marble and mosaic. The royal butlers ensure that all guests are treated like Maharajas.



RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Taj Hotels Resorts & Palaces Restrictions:

- Hotels are available from May 18, 2012 to March 18, 2013
- Hotels subject to availability, blackout dates apply
- Accommodation in a one bedroom suite with buffet breakfast for two
- Substitution of other cities will not be permitted

Jet Airways Restrictions:

- Airfare is available from March 17, 2012 to March 18, 2013, subject to availability

The Diamond as Big as the Ritz:
HARRY WINSTON NECKLACE

DONATED BY HARRY WINSTON

Ambaji Shinde, principal designer for Harry Winston for nearly 40 years, transformed diamonds into art and revolutionized modern jewelry design. Inspired by the architecture, reflections, energy, and movement of New York City, Shinde freed diamonds from heavy metal settings and transformed them into three dimensional sculptures, full of movement and life. In his hands, diamonds were said to “float and dance.”

The Shinde Diamond Drop Flower Pendant is a signature example of his work. This dazzling floral pendant features 3.19 carats of briolette, pear and round brilliant diamonds set in platinum.



The Sheltering Sky: MAGICAL MARRAKESH AND THE ATLAS MOUNTAINS FOR 4



DONATED BY LA MAMOUNIA, WIDIANE SUITES & SPA, RESTAURANT YACOUT, AL FASSIA, BELDI COUNTRY CLUB, FADWA AND TIMOTHY ROBB AND AIR FRANCE

Visit exotic Marrakesh and the soaring Atlas Mountains. Fly on Air France with two Business Class seats. Once you arrive you will be met in Casablanca by a driver who will take you away to the iconic hotel, La Mamounia, where you and your three guests will stay for four nights in opulence and grandeur in two double deluxe rooms which includes breakfast.

Experience the sumptuous Beldi Country Club where you will relax in a traditional hamman and enjoy a body scrub and a massage. Savor two traditional dinners at the stunning Al Fassia and the legendary Yacout Restaurants.

Round out your Moroccan adventure with a private drive to the majestic Atlas Mountains. Your four night stay at Widiiane in two deluxe rooms will include breakfast. Each of you will luxuriate with both Thai and Balinese massages. Explore the rugged, soaring terrain with a guide on a private trek and enjoy the turquoise waters of Lake Bin el Oidane on a boat tour.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Hotels valid from April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013, subject to availability
- Air France:**
 - Valid until March 17, 2013
 - Tickets are valid for 4 months from the date of outbound travel. Once issued they are not transferable, returnable, or refundable. Validity may not be extended
 - Taxes are not included
 - Booking restrictions apply and due to capacity controlled seating, flexibility of travel dates may be necessary, especially during busy travel season, mid-June to September, Christmas, New Year, Easter, and Passover
 - Reservations will only be confirmed no more than two weeks before departure
 - No stopover in Paris if connection onward

Go West TO AMAN RESORTS: AUTUMN WEEK IN UTAH AND WYOMING FOR 2

DONATED BY AMAN RESORTS, SHOOTING STAR, WOODEN BOAT RIVER TOURS AND JACKSON FLIGHT SERVICES

Begin your trip at the Amangiri, 'peaceful mountain', located in the southwest region also known as the Four Corners, where the states of Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona meet. Boasting one of the most dramatic landscapes in the US, Amangiri is located on 600 acres in the middle of the Grand Circle of National Parks and Monuments and offers easy access to such natural icons as the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks, to name a few. You and your guest will escape for a three night stay in the new Owner's Villa, which sleeps up to six people, where you can enjoy a multitude of adventure activities or you can opt to relax at the Aman Spa and take complimentary yoga classes each morning.

From Salt Lake City, Utah, take a short flight to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, where you will stay at the stunning Amangani, 'peaceful home', for three nights. Where the Old West meets the New West, the Amangani affords magnificent views of the Grand Tetons and Snake River Valley. Your stay in Jackson Hole will also include 2 rounds of golf at Shooting Star private golf club, on designer Tom Fazio's newest course, spa treatments in their exquisite couple's suite and dinner for two in the elegant western dining room. You will experience a scenic wildlife float on the Snake River in a luxurious and classic wooden boat and a private flight around the magnificent Teton Mountains.

This package includes airport transfers to each hotel.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Valid until March 17, 2013
- Blackout dates: April 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012, December 20, 2012 to January 2, 2013
- **Amangiri:** accommodation is for up to six guests
- **Amangani:** accommodation is for two guests
- **Jackson Flight Services:** reservations required, subject to availability and weather
- **Wooden Boat River Tours:** reservations required, subject to availability
- **Shooting Star:** reservations required



A Movable Feast:
DINNER FOR 12 BY CHEF ERIC RIPERT OF LE BERNARDIN



DONATED BY CHEF ERIC RIPERT

Dine in the Private Salons of Le Bernardin restaurant in New York City or in your own home. Chef Ripert and his team will design a unique dinner for you and your guests.

Eric Ripert, one of the world's great chefs, has been at Le Bernardin since 1991. He is a frequent guest judge on Bravo's *Top Chef*, the author of *A Return to Cooking* and host of the PBS series *Avec Eric*. The Michelin Guide honored Chef Ripert and Le Bernardin with its highest rating of three stars, one of only five restaurants in New York City to receive this rating. In 2009, Chef Ripert was awarded the rank of Chevalier of France's *Légion d'Honneur*.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Donation valid for one year
- Dinner at the restaurant not valid in May, November or December
- Wine is included with dinner at the restaurant
- Dinner to be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date Monday through Friday. Saturdays not included
- Le Bernardin is closed on all major holidays and on Sundays
- Gratuities not included
- Dinner in your home does not include wine, service, staff, or clean-up. Must be located within 45 minutes of Manhattan and not valid October, November or December



Out of Africa: EXPERIENCE CAPETOWN AND THE GONDWANA GAME RESERVE FOR 4



DONATED BY HOUT BAY MANOR, GONDWANA GAME RESERVE AND CAPE GRACE HOTEL

Enter the vibrant country of South Africa beginning with a visit to Hout Bay Manor, an architectural landmark situated in the serene seaside fishing village of Hout Bay, Cape Town. Renowned for its luxury boutique accommodations, you and your guests will enjoy two nights including breakfast. From the hotel, you can plan day trips to nearby acclaimed South African vineyards.

From Capetown, drive to the stunning Gondwana Game Reserve for a three night stay. Situated in the heart of the Garden Route on 27,000 acres, Gondwana Game Reserve boasts free roaming Big Five game as well as endangered species like the Cape Mountain Zebra and Black Rhinoceros. Its breathtaking beauty will sooth and delight you with its mountain views and green rolling hills blanketed in colorful vegetation. Your visit to Gondwana includes all meals and daily game drives at Gondwana Game Reserve for a family of four.

Return to Capetown for a two night stay in luxury rooms including breakfast at the lovely Cape Grace, rated one of the Leading Hotels of the World. Explore the scenic Cape Peninsula area with ease and visit the famous Chapman's Peak, Table Mountain, Robben Island and the ever popular V&A Waterfront.

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Valid until March 17, 2013, subject to availability
- **Hout Bay Manor:** blackout dates July 2012
- **Cape Grace:** blackout dates December 20, 2012 to January 10, 2013 and February 4, 2013 to February 8, 2013



The Great Gatsby: VINTAGE CAR RALLY FOR 20



DONATED BY VERONICA BULGARI AND STEPHAN H. HAIMO

At the wheel of a 1920's Buick? If you ever imagined cruising along a country road in a perfectly restored vintage car, we have the car experience of a lifetime! You and your party of up to 20 will be the guests of a famous Roman jeweler and his family for a special day at the private "Garage," located 80 miles from New York City. In this magnificent facility are housed over 75 classic automobiles from the 20s, 30s, 40s and 50s in a collection that has been described by *Classic Cars* magazine as representing "the history of the American automotive industry."

You will experience the style and elegance epitomized by legendary American manufacturers, such as Packard, LaSalle, Hudson, Cadillac and Buick. Meticulously restored and kept in impeccable working condition by the curator and his team, the collection features beautiful and rare automobiles showcased at the prestigious Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance and other shows. Born of the American passion for cars and driving, these automobiles are meant to be experienced on the road. After a gourmet lunch, your party will take your favorite models for a memorable drive through the scenic Pennsylvania Dutch countryside.

Upon your return, the curator and his team will guide your party on a visit of the workshop where the cars are restored and rebuilt to their pristine condition, a fitting conclusion to a magical day.

The package includes:

- Roundtrip transportation from New York City
- Champagne reception upon arrival
- A gourmet lunch at the "Garage" catered by Acquolina
- Commemorative gifts

RESTRICTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Date to be arranged on a Saturday or Sunday in Spring or Fall of 2012



“LA JEUNESSE EST
UNE ACQUISITION DE L'ÂGE MÛR.”

- *Jean Cocteau*

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship pledges have provided tremendous support in financial aid to students at the Lycée Français de New York.

In order to ensure the diversity of our community, the Lycée Français de New York tuition is significantly lower than other prominent independent schools in New York City. Your scholarship support at Gala 2012 will enable us to continue to provide an education that embraces diversity and promotes connections between people and cultures. The scholarship program assists about 25 percent of our students.

We hope to surpass our goal towards the investment in our children's future.

We are counting on your support!

Scholarship donations are 100% tax deductible.

Scholarship pledges can be made at the following levels during the live auction:

\$25,000

\$20,000

\$10,000

\$5,000

\$1,000





“L’ENFANCE SAIT CE QU’ELLE VEUT.”

- *Jean Cocteau*



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