

Auction Preview



Scroll down to see some of the exciting Live and Almost Live Auction items featured at this year's event!

❖ Guemes Island Artist Party and Tour

On **July Saturday 11**, 20 lucky people will join Paul Beaudet and David Wertheimer at their Guemes Island home for a delightful afternoon **surrounded by art and nature**. **Enjoy** tasty appetizers and beverages while you explore the collection of paintings, sculpture and pottery throughout the home and garden. **Meet noteworthy local artists Kathleen Faulkner, Leo Osborne, Sue Roberts and Cathy Schoenberg**. Learn how Skagit County and Guemes Island have inspired their work. Complete the afternoon with a tour of the island's beloved **Kelly's Point Preserve**



Thank you- Paul Beaudet, David Wertheimer, Kathleen Faulkner, Leo Osborne, Sue Roberts, and Cathy Schoenberg.

❖ One Week in the Heart of Italy

Delight in the trip of a lifetime as you explore the beautiful countryside and ancient villages of Italy's central region while savoring its distinctive culture, wine and cuisine and spend **One Week in a Centuries Old Villa in the Heart of Umbria!**

Il Mulino's restoration has been lovingly done to retain the flavor of the original building while adding modern amenities. **The villa sleeps six** people comfortably and is located at the edge of the small Umbrian town of San Terenziano near Todi, Montefalco, Assisi, Deruta, Perugia and Orvieto. There are many small wineries within a 20 km radius. **Rome, Florence and Siena** are easily visited in day trips, each being approximately two hours away. There is shopping and several restaurants in the nearby town.

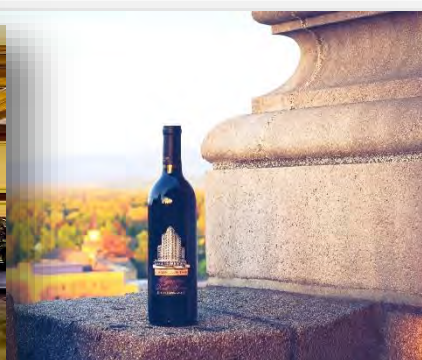


Thank you-Paul & Patty Mattaush-Johnson

❖ Walla Walla Wine Adventure for Two



The adventure begins with **three** nights in a **Luxury Tower Suite** at the famed **Marcus Whitman Hotel** in Walla Walla where historical elegance is combined with modern day luxury and exceptional service.



Explore the beautiful Walla Walla valley which has become one of the finest wine regions in the nation.

Relax in a luxury touring van as you are chauffeured around the wine country with a customized itinerary to taste, sip and savor as you visit local vineyards. **Enjoy** wonderful dining experiences with gift

certificates to several local favorites including the Walla Walla Steak Co. the Colville Street Patisserie and the Weinhard Café.



Thank you- Mark & Marlene Schuck, Marcus Whitman Hotel, The Touring Co, Dumas Station Wines and in memory of Chuck Davis

❖ Seven days at Waterman Resort on Brac Island Croatia for Two



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Enjoy **Six Nights and Seven Days** with all-inclusive service in a premier resort as you explore this unique island that offers everything one needs for an unforgettable holiday in an **unspoiled natural environment** with beautiful beaches and bays and crystal blue sea.

Brac Island has a rich **cultural and historic heritage** that dates back to pre-historic times.

With endless activities to choose from including, **sight-seeing, sea kayaking, rock climbing, snorkeling, mountain biking** there is truly something for everyone!



Thank you- Svpetrev Waterman Resort

❖ Samish Island

Gather on **Sunday June 14th**
for an afternoon of **flavor and fun** on Steve and Gail

Hopley's sprawling deck
surrounded by beautiful

gardens at their lovely Samish Island home. The party begins with a large assortment of **tapas, sangria,** and other beverages while **live music** is performed by a **local jazz trio.**

Everyone joins in to prepare a Paella feast of chicken, chorizo, shrimp, scallops, mussels, steamer clams, peas, green beans, sweet peppers, as well as rice seasoned with saffron, garlic, paprika, and brandy. The Paella is served, along with salad, bread, and of course **more wines!**

Dessert of flan with fresh berries is served at the end.



Thank you- Steve & Gail Hopley & the King Dahl Trio

❖ Guemes Island Resort for Four

Enjoy **two nights for four** people in the cabin of your choice at this **charming beachfront resort on Guemes Island**.

Access to the island is by a **five minute ferry ride from Anacortes**.

Guemes Island retains a quiet, pastoral and picturesque character. Located on the northern tip of the island, our 31 acre property is surrounded by forest with a panoramic view of Lummi, Vendovi, Jack, Eliza and Samish Islands and of Mount Baker. During your stay enjoy amenities including a guest lounge, a **wood fired sauna**, barbecues and **rowboats**

(without motors) wood fired **saltwater hot tub**, and massage therapy at our conveniently located onsite studio. We also offer a beer, wine, spirit specialty store that features local gift items, toys for the kids, smoked salmon, tuna, and a whole lot more. Our goal is to preserve **Guemes Island Resort** as a well maintained, old style beachfront resort and to provide a quiet, relaxing atmosphere for our guests. On one of the evenings, **Island Chef, Karen Everett** will spoil you with a **customized four course dinner** which includes aperitifs, wine & cordials.



Thank you - Guemes Island Resort & Karen Everett

❖ Holland America Seven day Cruise for Two

Revel in spacious cruise ship rooms, breathe in expansive views and relax in easy elegance.

With stately fine dining and enriching activities, Holland America Line's cruise ships welcome you aboard. The certificate is good for any **7-day** Holland America Line cruise for two to **Alaska, the Caribbean, Mexico or Canada/New England** (subject to availability) and is for a minimum unobstructed **ocean view stateroom**, which may be applied to other cabin categories at an additional cost.

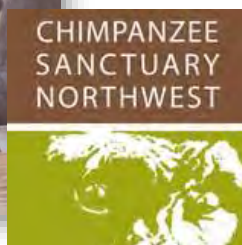
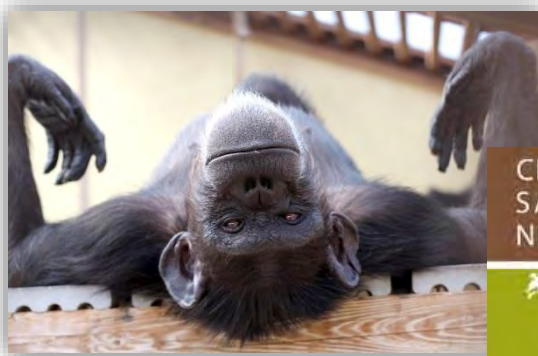


Thank you-Holland America & Friends of Skagit Land Trust

❖ Chimpanzee Sanctuary Tour for Six

Meet the Chimps of the Chimpanzee Sanctuary Northwest. While you observe the Chimps who were rescued from medical research romp & play in their large outdoor area you will discover how unique and special each one of them is. Learn about CSNW's "Bring them home" Expansion campaign. Be prepared- the **Chimps may ask you for Troll dolls & Boots!** CSNW is located on 90 acres of farm and forested land in the Cascade Mountains, **90 miles east of Seattle** and is one of only a handful of sanctuaries in the country that cares for chimpanzees. Experience is not open to the public.

Thank you-Chimpanzee Sanctuary Northwest



❖ Four Nights for Two in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico

The fridge will be stocked with all the fixings for a **pitcher of Margaritas** and fresh guacamole when you arrive to enjoy four nights in **San Miguel de Allende**, World Heritage Site in central Mexico.

Travel + Leisure ranked it as the **No. 1 Best City in the World** based on its thriving culinary scene and rich culture. **The climate is nearly flawless.** You will stay in a two-story casita on the grounds of a gracious old world Mexican home

with a **private pool and fountains** in the Atascadero neighborhood, an established enclave above the city with large homes, cobbled roads, and quiet streets.



Thank you-Suzanna & Larry Dworsky

❖ Storm Coast

Framed Serigraph on paper by Elton Bennet (1910-1974)



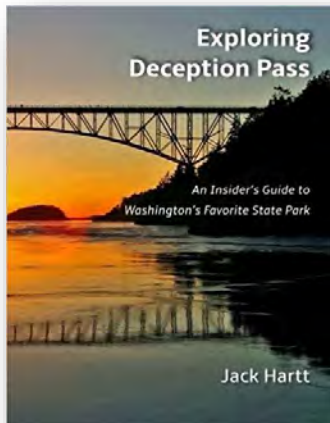
Thank you- Dennis Clarke & Lynne Jordan

❖ Hike on Kiket Island/Kukatali Preserve with Jack Hartt



10 lucky people will Join Jack Hartt, retired Park Manager of Deception Pass State Park **Saturday May 2nd** for a tour of this pristine island once slated to be the site of a **Nuclear Power Plant!** Experience this little-known island's great views and unique perspectives while learning about its diverse history.

Each participant will take one of Jack's insightful and **fascinating books** home with them.



Bring a sack lunch to enjoy after the hike. Skagit Land Trust staff will provide **dessert and beverages** and be on hand to answer questions.

Thank you-Jack Hartt & Friends of Skagit Land Trust

❖ North Cascades Institute Base Camp Adventure for Two

Your Base Camp adventure begins at NCI's award winning campus in the heart of North Cascades National Park on beautiful **Diablo Lake**. It includes three locally sourced, organic meals, overnight accommodation in one of the comfortable lodges, and a naturalist led activity. **"It's like summer camp for adults!"**



Thank you- North Cascades Institute

❖ Fairmont Olympic Hotel Stay & Seattle Symphony for Two



Seattle's premier luxury hotel, the Fairmont Olympic captures the charm and elegance of the Italian Renaissance. Enjoy a one night stay for two plus a \$100 dining credit.

Led by Music Director Thomas Dausgaard, the **Seattle Symphony** unleashes the power of music, brings people together and **lifts the human spirit!**

Thank you- Fairmont Olympic Hotel, Fran Hansen & the Seattle Symphony



❖ Little Farm on the Hill

15" x 30" Acrylic on Canvas by Cynthia Richardson



*Thank you- Cynthia
Richardson*

❖ Brewers Dinner Tour & Tasting For Six

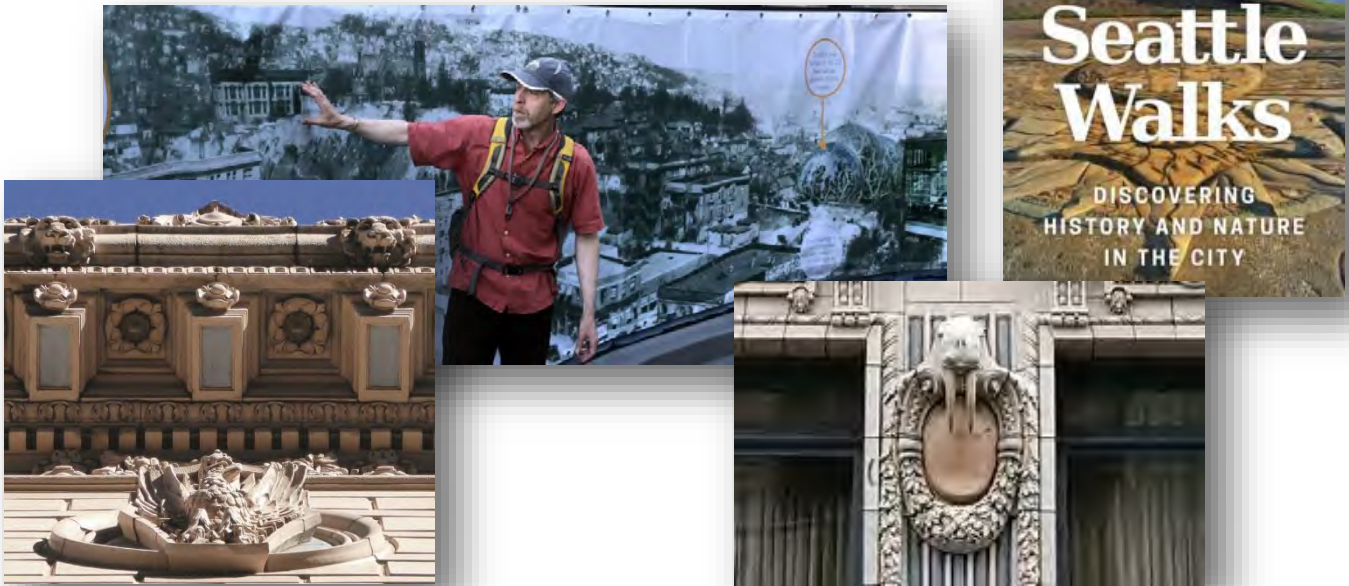
Enjoy a **multi-course dinner for 6** at the Rockfish Grill prepared by **Chef David Tisinger**. Each course will be paired with a different **Anacortes Brewery** beer. Prior to your dinner, you will tour the brewery with **Owner/Brewer Allen Rhoades** and have an **exclusive, private tasting** of special and in process beers.



*Thank you- Rock Fish Grill
Anacortes Brewery*

❖ Seattle Architectural Walking Tour

Author David B Williams will lead your group of up to 12 people on one of the fascinating walks from his popular book **Seattle Walks: Discovering History and Nature in the City.**



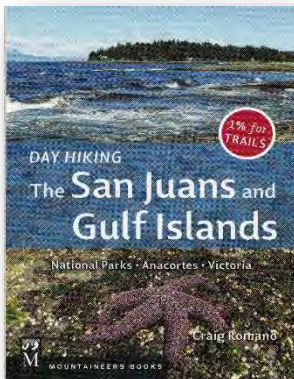
This walk titled, **Who's Watching You? A Downtown Menagerie in Stone and Terra-Cotta weaves together the history, natural history, and architecture of Seattle** to paint a complex, nuanced, and fascinating story. It will help you **see Seattle in a new light** and acquire a new appreciation of how the city has changed through time, how the past influences the present, and how **nature is all around us, even in the urban landscape.**

Thank you- David B. Williams

❖ Cypress Island Hike & Lunch with Craig Romano



Your group of six will travel aboard **Island Express**, the fastest water transportation in the San Juan Islands to wild and beautiful Cypress Island. Enjoy views during your trip through the San Juan Islands that are not normally traveled by the local ferry system. Hike through old growth forests, learn about the history and witness the incredible vistas of this “**last best place**” in the San Juans with local award-winning guidebook author, outdoors writer and photographer, and **Northwest trails hiking expert Craig Romano**. Choose a favorite spot to spread out and enjoy a delightful picnic lunch. Take home a signed copy of Craig’s book, Day Hiking the San Juans and Gulf Islands.



Thank you- Craig Romano, Island Express, Gere-a Deli & Mountaineers Books

❖ Six Disneyland Resort Park Hopper Passes & Gift Card

*Thank you-
Disneyland
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❖ “Across the Flats”

16x20” Oil on Canvas by Kris Ekstrand



Thank you –Kris Ekstrand

❖ Samish Island Getaway

Enjoy two nights for four people at the charming **Stone Cottage** set above **Padilla Bay**, with wonderful views of the Islands, Guemes Channel, the distant Cascades and Mt. Rainier. Originally built from stone in the 1940's, this local landmark has been carefully restored to retain its rustic charm and offer modern convenience.

Local wine and cheese and a basket of **breakfast goodies** will await your arrival. Samish Island is a drive on island close to Chuckanut Drive, local hiking and the birdwatcher's paradise known as **Samish Flats**. It's just six miles from the tiny and flavorful town of Edison where you will enjoy dining at the new **Terramar Brewing** with your \$100 gift card. Featuring **finely crafted brews** and spirits and **delicious wood-fired pizza** made with local ingredients farmed and foraged from land and sea.



On one of your days, join Skagit Land Trust staff on an **exclusive tour of Samish Island Conservation Easements**.

Thank you-Dave & Debbie Ensey, Terramar Brewing, Samish Bay Cheese, Land Trust Staff



❖ Padilla Shore and the Yellow Sky

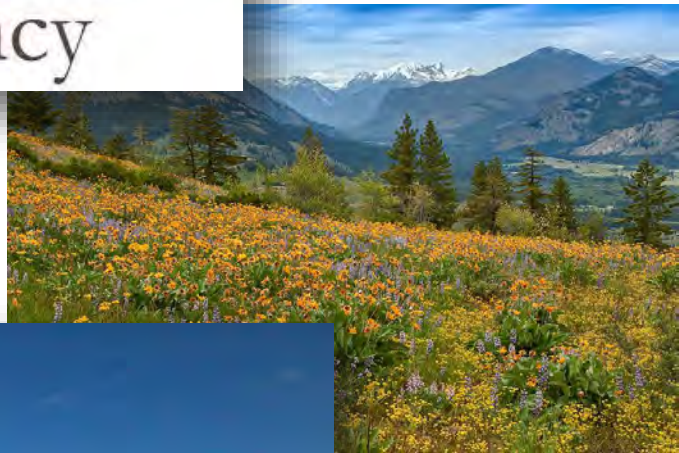
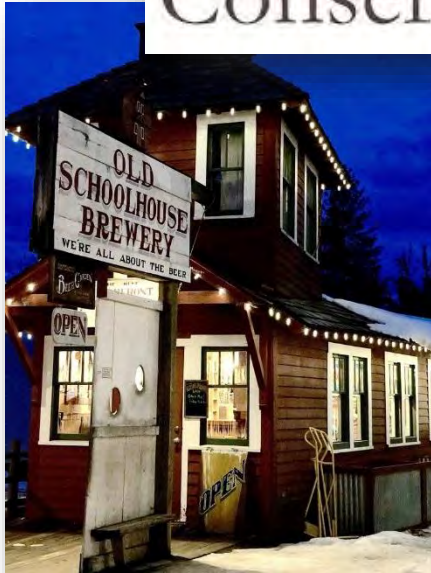
24" x 20" Oil on Primed Linen over Aluminum by Lisa McShane



Thank you- Lisa McShane

❖ Methow Mountain Retreat for Two

Spend **two nights** in your own **mountain-view cabin surrounded by nature**. Enjoy dining at local favorites, Old Schoolhouse Brewery and East 20 Pizza with the gift cards included in this fun package. Join our fellow land trust, the Methow Conservancy for a **tour of one of their beautiful and inspiring protected properties** in the Methow Valley.



Thank you- Winthrop Mountain View Chalets, the Methow Conservancy,

Hal & Hella Lee, Ron & Fonda Downs

❖ VIP Tour of CallisonRTKL Seattle With Lunch for Four

CALLISONRTKL™



This is a very special, “behind the curtain” tour of CallisonRTKL Seattle – recognized as the number one retail design firm in the world and a top-five architecture practice across multiple disciplines and sectors. Vice President, Michelle McCormick will share their expertise and demonstrate the “magic” of being a top design firm in the areas of architecture, brand building and commercial interior design.

Thank you-CallisonRTKL-Seattle

❖ Longbeach Peninsula Escape

Washington's Long Beach Peninsula is all about exploration—whether it's **28 miles of sandy beach**, world-class cuisine or **Pacific Northwest history**. **Incredible trails** and endless ways to explore make the Long Beach Peninsula the perfect destination for adventurous souls! **Hike** to the west coast's oldest working lighthouse, **ride a horse on the beach**, or **bike the Discovery Trail**.

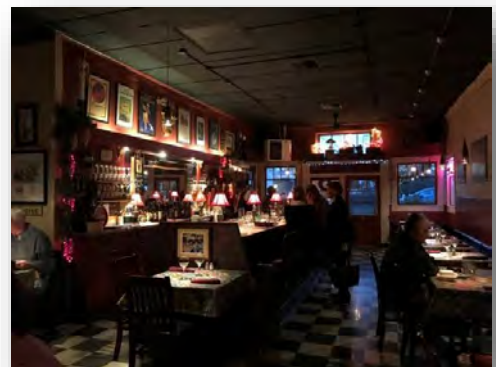


Your escape includes a **two night stay for two** with \$75 in dining credit at the beloved Shelburne Inn. The hotel has undergone a recent transformation, while the history has been lovingly preserved, the result—the new **Shelburne Hotel**—is bright, airy and hip. **The Dining Room** at the Shelburne offers the chance to experience the taste of our local Washington Coast. **The Pub at the hotel is a cozy hangout** featuring traditional fare with a global twist.



Enjoy a memorable dining experience at the popular **Depot Restaurant** with a \$75 certificate.

Thank you-Dave Weitzel & Kayle Shulenberger & Adrift Hospitality



More Almost Live;

The Brown Lantern Dinner & Drinks for Eight *thank you Brown Lantern*

Semiahmoo Stay and Spa for Two *thank you Semiahmoo & Fran Hansen*

Chuckanut Manor Stay & Drinks for Two *thank you Chuckanut Manor*

Seattle Overnight & Taproot Theatre for Two *thank you Therese Ogle, John Draper Razzi's
Pizza & Taproot Theatre*

Mariners Tickets for Four *thank you Seattle Mariners*

Two Tickets to the Pacific Northwest Ballet & Signed Pointe Shoes *thank you Pacific
Northwest Ballet*

Kayaks, Coots & Cocktails for Four *thank you Howard & Thais Armstrong, Eileen Anderson,
Molly Doran*

Skagit Valley Sunsets, Dinner, Lodging & Golf *thank you Swinomish Casino & Lodge*

Gato Verde Sunset Sail for Two *thank you Gato Verde Adventure Sailing*

Seattle Architecture Walking Tour *thank you David Williams*

Crabbing & Picnic on Padilla Bay for Four *thank you Kirk Johnson*

Just a few of the fun items you will find in the Silent Auction;

- ❖ Anacortes Kayak Tour for Two
- ❖ Chocolate Making Classes at Forte' Chocolates
- ❖ Twelve Yards of Bark Delivered
- ❖ Behind the Scenes Tour of the Seattle Aquarium
- ❖ Four Nights of Doggie Daycare
- ❖ Introduction to Scuba Diving for Two
- ❖ Woodhouse Wine Estates Reserve Tasting for Ten
- ❖ Two Passes to the Skagit River Poetry Festival
- ❖ Stainless Steel Patio Heater
- ❖ Two Tickets to an ACT Theatre Mainstage Production
- ❖ Elliptigo Arc Bike
- ❖ Hand Milled Cedar Flicker Nest Box

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