

17th Annual *Imagine...* Gala for Autism

“Where  
**DREAMS**  
Are Made”

**NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

Presented by **Regency**  
AUTO

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

**6:00pm**

**Fairmont Waterfront Hotel**  
900 Canada Place Way, Vancouver

**Benefitting**  
**PALS Autism Society and**  
**PALS Adult Services Society**



**SCAN TO VISIT  
THE AUCTION**

# EVENING PROGRAMME

6:00PM

## Guest Check-In Cocktail Reception & Silent Auction

Featuring Entertainment  
by Iconic Tributes

7:00PM

## Welcome Remarks Dinner

Sophie Lui, Emcee

Katy Harandi, Gala Chair

Hon. Jennifer Whiteside, MLA for  
New Westminster, Minister of  
Mental Health and Addictions

Video from Regency Auto,  
Presenting Sponsor

Scotty Allan, Jeff Clark,  
The Burnaby Firefighters Charitable  
Society, Gala Honouree

8:00PM

## Live Auction Fund-A-Therapy Fred Lee, Auctioneer

9:30PM

## Silent Auction Closes

10:00PM

## Air Canada Foundation Raffle Draw Cash Out Opens Dancing with DJ Pri

10:30PM

## Nibbles and Noshes

# DINNER MENU

## SALAD

### BEETROOT SALAD

ricotta, dates, arugula, blood orange dressing

## ENTREE

### PAN SEARED LING COD

leek, potato, lobster bisque,  
cauliflower puree, asparagus

### BRAISED BEEF SHORT RIB

chive potato puree, chimichurri,  
braised shallot jus

### POTATO GNOCCHI

cashew butter, roast yam, squash,  
fried kale, watercress

## DESSERT DUO

### LONDON FOG CHEESECAKE

caramelized honey, blueberry  
citrus compote

### CAFÉ AU LAIT PAVÉ

cafe au lait chocolate mousse,  
hazelnut feuilletine crisp

# WELCOME!



Welcome to the 17th Annual *Imagine...Gala for Autism*. It is our utmost pleasure to have you attend our event this evening, "Where Dreams Are Made, New York, New York". April is Autism Awareness month and this is the night each year where we promote awareness of autism, celebrate the achievements of our children and young adults and ask you to help in their journey towards a brighter future.

We are deeply thankful for your continued commitment to support the two charities our fundraiser benefits, PALS Autism Society and PALS Adult Services Society.

Our aim is to provide the highest quality programs to ease the challenges that autism presents to our families and our children. Your support provides essential resources, specialized education, and opportunities for growth and development that can truly change their lives.

We are immensely grateful for the selfless dedication and tireless energy and enthusiasm of our passionate gala committee volunteers, the board of directors and staff of PALS and PASS, and behind the scenes support of all our families, friends and advisory committee members.

We are also thankful to Sophie Lui and Fred Lee for helping us achieve our fundraising goals this evening. I'm thrilled to share that thanks to the contributions of our amazing sponsors, all our expenses for this evening have been covered. This means every penny of your auction, fund-a-therapy contributions and raffle purchases will directly impact our programs. EVERY PENNY!

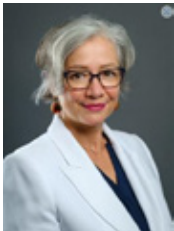
An incredible achievement, Thank You!

**Katy Harandi**  
Chair of Gala Committee





A message from the Honourable Jennifer Whiteside  
MLA for New Westminster



On behalf of the Government of British Columbia, I extend a warm welcome to everyone for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Imagine...Gala for Autism.

I want to express my heartfelt appreciation for the incredible work of the PALS Autism Society and the PALS Adult Services Society (PASS). I am especially grateful for the work that they've done in my community of New Westminster where the PALS Autism School is home to.

Your programs make a critical difference in the lives of children, young adults, and families impacted by autism and complex developmental disabilities.

I sincerely appreciate all the generous sponsors and attendees whose contributions make this event possible. Your support ensures that more children and young adults can live vibrant, meaningful lives and the dedicated staff and educators at PALS and PASS can continue their impactful work within our community.

As we gather to celebrate the event, I want to thank the organizers and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to make this event possible.

Warmest wishes for a wonderful gala.

Sincerely,

Honourable Jennifer Whiteside  
MLA for New Westminster



# ABOUT PALS + PASS



**1ST** specialized year-round, brick and mortar independent K-12 school for children and adolescents with autism in British Columbia, accompanied by a licensed child care program

**1ST** autism-specific adult program in B.C. offering employment training, job coaching, life skills, art, music & speech language therapy with an in-house behavioural analyst

## 22 STUDENTS + 43 YOUNG ADULTS

receive services from PALS Autism Society and PALS Adult Services Society



## WHY WE HAVE THE IMAGINE... GALA FOR AUTISM

**\$77,000 - \$91,000** is the **true annual** cost for 1 student to attend PALS' specialized, year-round school program. Government grants cover only a small fraction, leaving parents to either pay the difference or decline their child's spot at PALS. **\$15,000 must be fundraised annually** for each student in order to keep tuition within reach for as many families as possible.

**\$42,000 - \$79,000** is the **true annual** cost for 1 member to attend PASS' specialized, year-round adult program. Government funding does not cover any developmental therapies (speech, art and music), job support for adult members at volunteer worksites or managing the social enterprise. **\$7,000 must be fundraised annually for each adult member** in order to offer these exceptional programs at PASS.





# INDIVIDUALIZED, INTERACTIVE, INSPIRED.

## The PALS Story



In July 2007, five mothers opened PALS Autism Society – School Program in a converted office space in East Vancouver. PALS quickly gained the support of like-minded individuals who recognized the need for a year-round, independent school in British Columbia for children with moderate to severe autism in kindergarten to grade 12.

The school utilizes the most up to date, evidence-based best practices and technologies throughout its educational, therapeutic and recreational programs. PALS School is a Group 1 Independent School, designated as one of 13 Special Education Schools by the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care.

PALS Autism Society also operates a licensed, affordable and flexible Before and After School Care Program. This provides students with additional opportunities for practicing social interactions with their peers through art, music, and recreation in a supported, fun environment, while also allowing families to work full-time hours thanks to the extended hours of care.

In 2010, PALS recognized the need for continued learning and established the Adult Program for transitioning young adults with autism and other neuro-developmental disabilities. Pals Adult Services Society, now known as PASS, supports adult participants and their families by providing comprehensive programs, services, and housing options. Many PALS students benefit from the opportunity to continue their learning at PASS.

In March 2019, the school experienced a milestone and relocated to its forever home in New Westminster. The Society was able to purchase a 10,000 square foot, three-story, heritage building through the generosity of donors and years of careful spending.

In recent years, the school has grappled with the profound repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic with significant setbacks in programming and expansion initiatives. The 2023/2024 school year marked the closing of the pandemic chapter for PALS, with the reintroduction of programming vital to student independence, well-being, and safety. Activities previously deemed unsafe during the pandemic, such as work placements, meal and snack preparation, swimming lessons, and hands-on life skills, are now back in full swing!

Continuing this positive trajectory, this year the school expanded to its largest enrollment numbers to date, increasing enrollment by 22% and adding a third classroom. In the fall of 2023, PALS hired a new Head of School and the former HOS has taken on a newly created part time Executive Director position. PALS is hopeful that, with the support of our loyal donors, further expansion and financial sustainability are on its horizon and the students of PALS will reap the benefits.



**For more information:**  
[www.palsautismschool.ca](http://www.palsautismschool.ca)

# THANK YOU!

*Words cannot convey our gratitude towards our committee and volunteers for their tremendous contributions and donated time to create this remarkable evening! Not listed but so very appreciated are the countless volunteers including staff of PALS and PASS, families and friends who are donating their talents, time and resources to ensure a smooth and successful event.*

## GALA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Allison Arai         | Katy Harandi   | Yuko McCulloch       |
| Diana Arn            | Sussan Harandi | Nasim Mosallaei      |
| Trever Broadhead     | Tammy Kalla    | Azar Pouredad        |
| Cady Korman          | Shila Kamrani  | Karin Terado         |
| Nicole Daga          | Karim Kamrani  | Michele Thom         |
| Jeanette Delos Reyes | Andrea Kasunic | Mina Yaghoubi Daliri |
| Yasse Eghdami        | Jasline Malhi  | Alice Wong           |
| Hamid Harandi        | Cindy Maltman  |                      |

*A special thank you to Krisztina Vona, Events Sales and Service Manager and her wonderful team at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel.*



# FULL POTENTIAL, MEANINGFUL LIVES.



PASS provides an innovative daily program and independent housing for adults with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities. Our approach is rooted in a continuum of skills development, community participation, employment, and independent housing opportunities.

As children with autism “age out” of the school system, they enter adulthood facing a significant lack of support and resources. PASS’ autism-specific, development-based solutions ensure members can live vibrant, meaningful lives. Led by a highly qualified team of autism spectrum disorder professionals, PASS’ curriculum supports members in developing the life skills they need to become more independent and integrated in their community.

In 2023, PASS opened a second location in Burnaby, positioning us to include up to 25 new members in our daily program.

PASS’ housing initiative currently provides 16 adults with autism and other developmental disabilities with the opportunity to live independently of their families, with the appropriate level of support, in a community-based environment.

PASS is now a separate charitable entity from PALS Autism Society, but ties between the two remain strong with a shared vision to provide tailor-made support to people with autism and other developmental disabilities.

## PASS Marketplace

PASS Marketplace, our onsite social enterprise, is dedicated to helping young adults overcome workplace barriers. PASS members engage in vocational training by assisting with tasks that support the Marketplace while learning to work in a team setting. Members are paid to produce various giftable products, including candles, cards, and spice blends, and offer services such as custom label designs, product packaging, and product assembly. Marketplace recently received the Workplace Inclusion Champion Award for Social Enterprise at the 2023 Untapped Awards.

Creative expression is paramount to PASS Marketplace, and Art Cards are one of our popular products. PASS members created brand-new exclusive designs for this year’s Gala giveaway item. These Art Cards feature original paintings by Chris O., Fraser, J.A., Oshen, and Tanya, building on the theme “what PASS means to us.” Additionally, members produced elaborate string art that will be available to bid on in tonight’s auction.



### For more information:

[www.passadultservices.ca](http://www.passadultservices.ca) | [www.passmarketplace.ca](http://www.passmarketplace.ca)



# MEET YOUR HOST



**Sophie Lui**  
Anchor, Global BC

Sophie Lui began co-anchoring Global News Hour at 6 on Global BC, alongside Chris Gailus, in 2015. Prior to that, she co-hosted Global BC News Morning. She is currently making up for about five years of lost sleep, which coincidentally, is about the same length of time she did the morning show.

Her favourite part of the job is the opportunity to learn something new every day. She loves that she has an occupational excuse to call just about anybody to ask just about any question.

Sophie was born and raised in the Lower Mainland and has been a news junkie for as long as she can remember. She attended BCIT and graduated from the Broadcast Radio program. From there, she worked at several news radio stations like CKNW, CKIQ-Kelowna, and CFAX-Victoria – before turning toward television news at CHEK-TV in Victoria and then moving back to Vancouver to work at Global BC.

Sophie's hobbies include travelling, cycling, listening to music, reading, and procrastinating.

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# MEET YOUR AUCTIONEER



**Fred Lee**

Fred Lee's fabulous sense of humour and unique style makes him our 'Man About Town.'

The Social Butterfly steps out and shares with readers all of Vanhatten's A-list happenings, red carpet parties, must-attend galas, and fabulous fundraisers. Fred is a regular contributor for the Province Newspaper, Vancouver Magazine and Boulevard Magazine. Fred has contributed for the CBC, BBC, National Post, and BC Business. Fred, along with fellow CBC colleague Margaret Gallagher, hosted the national CBC Radio One food show Flavour of the Week.



# GRAND RAFFLE

**PALS *Imagine...* Gala for Autism is Proud to Welcome Air Canada Foundation as our Raffle Sponsor.**



**AIR CANADA  
FOUNDATION**

**ESCAPE WITH AIR CANADA!**

**ONLY 557 TICKETS  
WILL BE SOLD!**

1 TICKET \$40 | 3 TICKETS \$100

**WIN THE GRAND PRIZE!**

***Two Economy Class round-trip tickets for travel anywhere Air Canada flies***

**FINE PRINT:** Valid until April 6, 2025. Black out dates apply. Please note that once tickets have been issued, the origin and destination cannot be changed; flight time and/or date of travel change may carry a change fee per ticket. All applicable fees (such as airport/departure taxes, security charges or other third-party fees, taxes or charges) are the sole responsibility of the bearer of the ticket. Tickets are not transferable, not refundable and not redeemable for cash. Frequent flyer mileage accumulation is not permitted.

# YOUR IMPACT

**Over the past 17 years, Gala sponsors, donors and guests have helped to raise a cumulative \$5.2 million which has been used to:**

- Purchase in 2017 a new forever home for the School in New Westminster, BC
- Move the adult program in 2020 to a larger space in Vancouver and expanded in 2023 to create a new Burnaby campus to accommodate an increase in enrollment
- Help subsidize school and adult program to keep fees affordable
- Provide specialized programs to students and adult members using the most current adaptive and assistive technology and best practices for optimal learning outcomes
- Provide much needed but costly evidence-based therapies including art, music, behavioural, occupational and speech
- Assist students through a temporary behavioural crisis while enabling them to continue attending school
- Expand the Adult Program Social Enterprise (PASS Marketplace), which builds vocational skills and self-confidence, provides paid employment, and encourages independence
- Provide paid and volunteer employment experiences with individualized assistance when needed
- Provide fun outings and recreational activities for students and adult members in a supported environment for safe integration into the community

## Looking Forward...

PALS currently has 22 students and PASS currently has 43 adult members. With your help, we can increase our fundraising capacity to help more students, young adults, and their families access our life-changing programs this coming year.



## TONIGHT'S HONOREE

### Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society in Partnership with the Marilyn and Alan Codyre Memorial Fund

For the past 17 years, the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society has played a critical role in supporting PALS Autism School. Their generosity and compassion have been a part of the foundation of many of the school's programs and activities, helping students with autism achieve their goals and reach their full potential.

When PALS opened its doors in 2007, the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society provided funds that enabled the school to purchase our first pieces of specialized furniture for students with autism, signaling we moved from a dream to a reality. This significant contribution allowed the school to create a supportive and nurturing learning environment for its students.

Since then, the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society has provided over \$85,000 in cumulative grants which have been used for online educational programs, life skills cooking and community awareness programs, field trip transportation for summer programs, and behavioural support funding. Pals also benefited from the very popular firefighter dinners that were auctioned at previous Imagine... Galas. In 2017, the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society, in partnership with the Marilyn and Alan Codyre Memorial Fund, committed

to providing PALS with \$100,000 over 10 years. This was a significant milestone for the school, as it meant that PALS could continue to provide critical support to its students for years to come. In 2019, we received an incredible surprise when the pledge was doubled to \$200,000 and extended for an additional 10 years. Each year, the fund disburses \$10,000 that can be used to support students in various ways, such as providing bursaries, school supply subsidies, and post-secondary scholarships to graduating students.

PALS is extremely thankful for the sustained backing and kindness of the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society, which has been a lifeline for many of its students and their families. The charity's unwavering commitment enables PALS to maintain an inclusive and supportive learning environment, where students with autism can flourish and reach their maximum potential.



# ABOUT AUTISM



Autism is a **lifelong** neurodevelopmental difference that **impacts all aspects of a person's life**. It is characterized by:

- Differences in social communication and interaction
- Restrictive and repetitive behaviours, actions, or interests

**1 in 32** children have Autism in BC.

Autism affects **all ethnic and socioeconomic groups**.

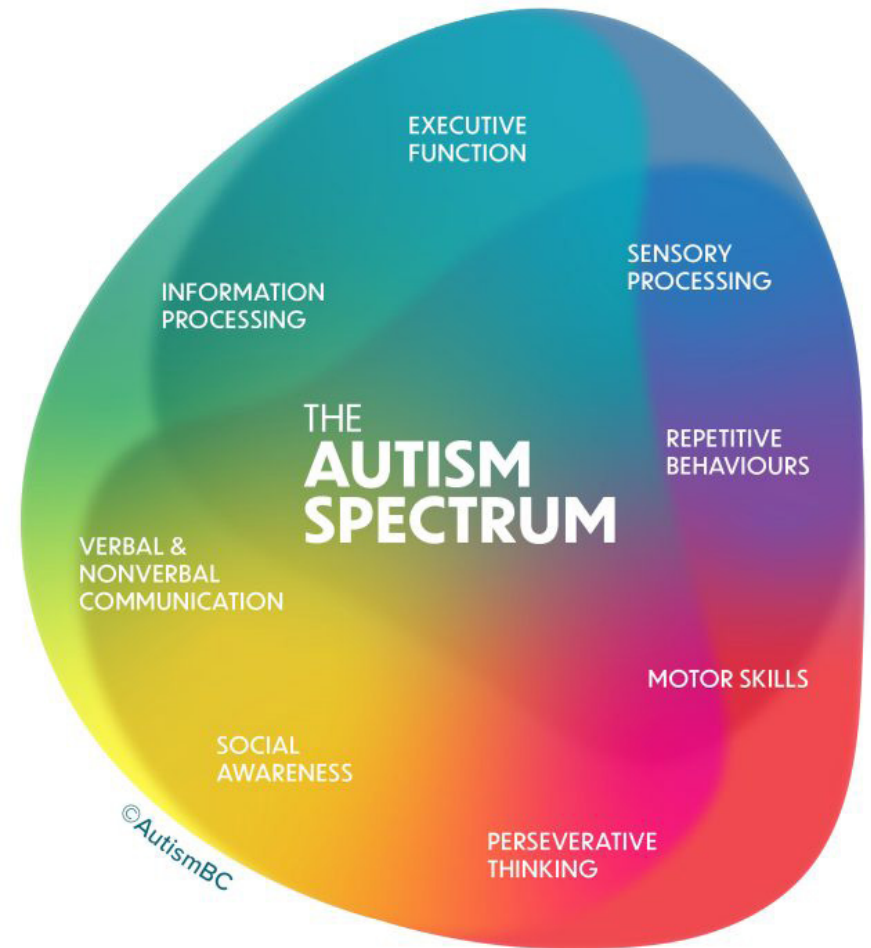
**69%** of children and youth with autism **have another long-term health condition** compared to 22% of those without autism



There are **many misconceptions** about autism that are harmful and stigmatizing to autistic people. Contrary to common myths, autism is:

- **Not curable**
- **Not a disease**
- **Not caused by diet**
- **Not caused by vaccines**
- **Not caused by poor parenting**
- **Not only present in children**
- **Not only present in males**

The **autism spectrum** is not a straight line from 'less autistic' to 'more autistic.' Instead, the term 'spectrum' refers to how an autistic person **functions in each of these domains**:



Each year an estimated **5,000 teens** with autism will become adults in BC and **lose school-based autism services**. As adults, many must start building support systems again from scratch, often with less resources, less help and aging parents.



# ONLINE SILENT AUCTION



SCAN ME

## HOW DO I REGISTER?

**Registering to bid is super easy!**

Head to <https://pals.cbo.io> or scan the above QR code. If you haven't registered before click the 'Register Now' button and complete the form. You will be asked to enter your details so we can contact you if you win an auction item. Your credit card will only be charged in the case that you are a successful bidder or make a donation. You can sign in using your email address or phone number.

## HOW DO I MAKE A BID?

- 1 Visit <https://pals.cbo.io> or scan the QR code above.
- 2 Log in by entering in your cell phone number or your email address and tap GO. If you enter your cell phone number, you will receive a text with a one-time login code. If you enter your email address, you will receive an email with a one-time login code.
- 3 Browse auction items by category or simply scroll through all items.
- 4 To place a bid, tap on the blue "Bid/Info" button. There you can place a fast bid, bid, or set a max bid, and read details about items.
- 5 You will see a congratulations screen letting you know that your bid has been placed successfully.
- 6 If you're outbid, you will receive a text message or email letting you know. At this point, you can either bid again or set a 'max bid' amount and let Click Bid do the bidding for you, up to that amount.
- 7 When the auction closes, you will receive a message letting you know if you are the winning bidder.
- 8 Your registered credit card (on the ClickBid auction site) will be charged automatically, unless you have advised otherwise prior to this time, at **9:30pm** on April 6, 2024 for any items won or purchased. For in-person guests, you may choose to pay with an alternative method at the Auction Checkout Area, before **8:00pm**.

**\*Auction closes promptly at 9:30pm, please ensure your last bids are in to secure your items! Auction purchases do not qualify for a tax receipt.**

## COLLECTION OF YOUR ITEMS

For in-person guests, successful bidders will be able to pick up their item(s) at the Auction Checkout Area, located at Registration, **after 10:00pm**. Volunteers will be available for those who require assistance to their car.

For all successful online bidders, we will be in touch the following week to send any digital certificates via email and confirm mailing or delivery information for physical items and packages if needed. Should you have any questions, please contact [gala@palsautismschool.ca](mailto:gala@palsautismschool.ca) or call **604-251-7257**.

## PAYMENT

**ALL SALES ARE FINAL.** There will be no exchanges or refunds on auctioned items for either cash or other merchandise. BC law requires that 10% PST will be added to all successful bids for wine and other alcohol, and 7% PST will be added on taxable items. Title to the auction items remains with the PALS Autism Society until the full payment for the purchases have cleared. Your registered credit card (on the ClickBid auction site) will be **automatically charged at 9:30PM** on April 6 2024, for any items won or purchased, unless you have specified otherwise prior to this time.

- All Fund-A-Therapy donations made are 100% tax receiptable.
- Raffle tickets and auction items are not eligible for a tax receipt.

## DISCLAIMERS

All bidders at the 17th annual *Imagine...* Gala for Autism auction accept the terms and conditions outlined below. The PALS Autism Society is held free of liability for the property or any physical injury that may arise from items or service acquired in the silent auction. The PALS Autism Society, in presenting these items, makes every effort to accurately describe all auction items. No statement contained in the description of the auction item or elsewhere, shall be deemed to be warranty, representation, or assumption of liability. Items depicted in the visual presentations are for illustrative purposes only and may not be exactly as shown. Some items or services may have other restrictions or conditions for use in the addition to those stated in the program – please see all item exceptions on the ClickBid auction site.

**Please Note: PALS Autism Society is not held responsible for any government authority changes that impact the item's goods and services.**



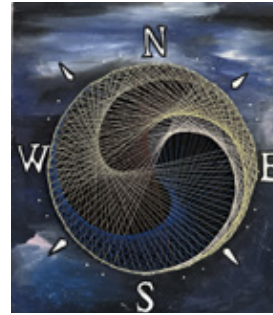


# LIVE AUCTION

LOT #1

## SHOW ME THE WAY BY PASS MEMBERS

**Value: Priceless! | Donor: PASS Members**



Show Me The Way is a mixed-media, string-art created by the members of PALS Adult Services Society. The inspiration for this piece was PASS and what being a part of it means to the members. The compass represents their desire to seek direction and purpose in life. It serves as a symbol of their life journey of personal growth and self-discovery. The artwork measures 20.5 x 24 inches.

This unique art piece was created at the PASS Marketplace, the Social Enterprise of PALS Adult Services Society. Here, adults with autism and other developmental disabilities become in-house production assistants, creating custom gifts and a variety of products. PASS Marketplace provides the benefit of developing job skills without the requirement of the stressful, external work placements. It is also a great way for our members to show off their creativity and show the world their various talents.

LOT #2

## TWO STANLEY CUP PLAYOFF CLUB SEATS

**Value: Priceless! | Donor: The Thom Family**



Two (2) Centre Ice Club Seat Tickets for one Canucks Hockey Game, First Round Stanley Cup Playoffs at Rogers Arena. Centre Ice Club Section 106, Row 23, Seats 7 and 8. The Canucks regular season ends April 18, 2024, and the Stanley Cup Playoff Rounds begin! There will be 2 back-to-back games played in Vancouver. When the game dates are announced, the donor will contact the winning bidder for scheduling. Included with this package is a \$100 Uber Gift Card for transportation to and from the game and a \$150 Gift Card to the Canucks Team Store. Go Canucks Go!!

LOT #3

## PACIFIC RUG GALLERY TRIBAL RUG

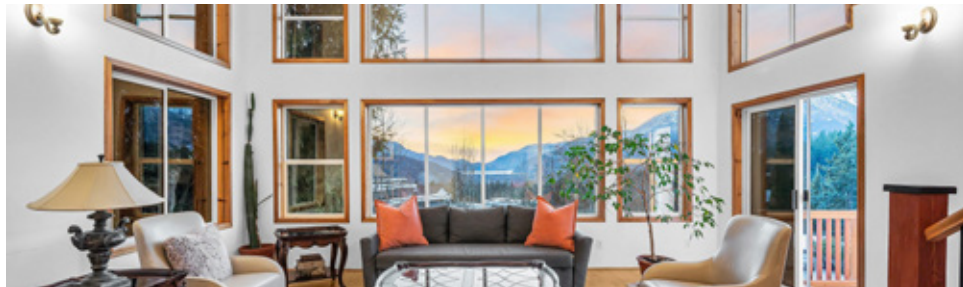


**Value: \$13,000**  
**Donor: Pacific Rug Gallery, Mina and Hossein Daliri**

Unleash the timeless beauty of tradition with this exquisite 8'x10' tribal rug from the Qashqai tribe. Meticulously crafted by skilled artisans, each thread tells a story of craftsmanship and heritage. Handwoven with the finest hand-spun wool and adorned with vibrant vegetable dyes, this masterpiece embodies elegance and authenticity. Elevate your space with this stunning work of art. As a bonus, the lucky owner will have the option to exchange it at a Pacific Rug

Gallery showroom, where a vast variety of styles and sizes are available. Pacific Rug Gallery has two showrooms: 1478 Marine Drive, North Vancouver and 1487 West Pender Street, Vancouver. Bring home a piece of cultural richness.

**Fine Print:** If for any reason this specific rug is not the suitable size or does not fit your home decor, it may be exchanged with another rug of equal or lesser value by April 6, 2025.



LOT #4

## SQUAMISH VILLA GETAWAY

**Value: \$6,500 | Donor: Mina and Hossein Daliri**

Stay at a luxurious 7-bedroom retreat with breathtaking views for 6 consecutive nights. Perfect for a family reunion, corporate retreat, or special occasion. This villa is a meticulously crafted custom home in the coveted Highlands neighbourhood of Squamish. This spacious sanctuary offers unparalleled mountain and ocean views.

Features include:

- Large spacious 7-bedroom, 5-bathroom villa
- Expansive corner-lot with two driveways accommodating up to 10 vehicles
- Grand, great room with oversized windows and hardwood flooring
- South-facing deck accessible from the kitchen and living room

As a bonus, this package includes 7 premium bottles of wine!

**Fine Print:** Mutually agreed upon date to be determined with at least one-month advance notice and subject to availability. Expires April 6, 2025.

LOT #5

## TULIPS IN AMSTERDAM BY ANN GOLDBERG



**Value: \$6,000 | Donor: Ann Goldberg**  
**Size: 36 x 48 inches**

Ann is a Vancouver based artist who has been heavily involved in the arts and architecture community for decades, both within Vancouver and more broadly. Her work is primarily concerned with realism and representation of everyday objects. Ann's pieces have been featured in dozens of solo and group shows at prominent Vancouver galleries, and galleries and museums in Canada, the U.S., and Europe.

While visiting Amsterdam, amidst the winding canals and historic architecture, she found herself drawn to a tulip store and museum where she was met with an explosion of color and fragrance from pots of red tulips. In this painting the red tulips take center stage against a backdrop hinting at the greens in the Dutch countryside and browns of the cobblestone streets. The petals unfolding in layers of crimson, basking in the sunlight and casting shadows, evoke a sense of passion and vitality. While working on this painting, Ann found herself immersed in a world of color and texture, celebrating awe-inspiring nature. In donating this piece to the PALS Gala, Ann hopes it will serve as a reminder of the beauty that surrounds us, offering hope and resilience in uncertain times.

LOT #6

## SAIL AWAY ON THE "BENETEAU OCEANIS 38.1"



**Value: Priceless! | Donor: Anonymous**

You and five friends will go aboard this beautiful 3 cabin sailboat for a day of sailing. You will leave False Creek in the morning, sail the waters of English Bay for a couple of hours, drop anchor in a secluded cove (weather permitting) for swimming, and return to False Creek later in the day. You can all sit back and enjoy the sail and the scenery or get active in helping sail the boat! Lunch, snacks, and drinks will be included.

**Fine Print:** The sail can take place on any mutually agreed upon date from mid-June till mid-September 2024.



LOT #7

## LUXURY SUITE AT NEW YORK'S ICONIC PLAZA HOTEL

**Value: Priceless! | Donor: Arte House**

Experience the vibrant energy of the city that never sleeps in style with a stay in this extraordinary suite at The Plaza. Immersed in French Renaissance charm, and boasting breathtaking views of Central Park, this luxurious 2-bedroom suite might seem like a mere pipe dream for many. However, for one lucky individual, this fantasy can become a reality. Treat yourself to a consecutive 5-night stay in this exquisite two-bedroom suite and revel in the unmatched sophistication and elegance that The Plaza has to offer. Admire contemporary art displayed throughout the suite by Feng Xiao-min, a Chinese-born French renowned artist, adding his magic flair to the timeless elegance of The Plaza. The hotel features world-class restaurants and bars, including the elegant Champagne Bar, the renowned Rose Club, and The Palm Court, one of New York City's finest destinations for afternoon tea.

Since its debut on October 1, 1907, The Plaza Hotel has remained a New York icon hosting world leaders, dignitaries, captains of industry, Broadway legends, and Hollywood royalty. As an established staple for lavish society affairs and blockbuster films, The Plaza has welcomed guests from around the world to enjoy its magic at the castle on Central Park South for more than 100 years. Ideally situated on Fifth Avenue, The Plaza's prestigious address continues to define elegance with unmatched service and an ever-evolving modern sensibility.

This luxury residence is donated by Angela Bi, the founder of TCT Arte, a trusted resource for investors and stakeholders interested in the development of new businesses worldwide that promote growth in arts and culture, real estate, health and well-being. She is the co-founder of Visas Consulting Group, a leading immigration firm based in Shanghai and Canada. With over 20 years of business experience in both China and North America she has established a private global network of ultra-high-net-worth individuals to invest in high profile landmark projects in the U.S., Canada, the Caribbean and Greece and has curated some of the most invaluable investments to build their portfolios. She is also an investor and partner of a tech start-up TINAM, a premier online platform for the creation and conversion of rare digital goods into experiential commodities to allow creators to monetize their assets and gain a greater outreach to millions of users.

Visit [tctarte.com](https://tctarte.com) for more information

**Fine Print:** Mutually agreeable dates to be determined with at least one-month advance notice and subject to availability. Please note the Plaza Residence does not provide parking services.  
Expiry April 6, 2025



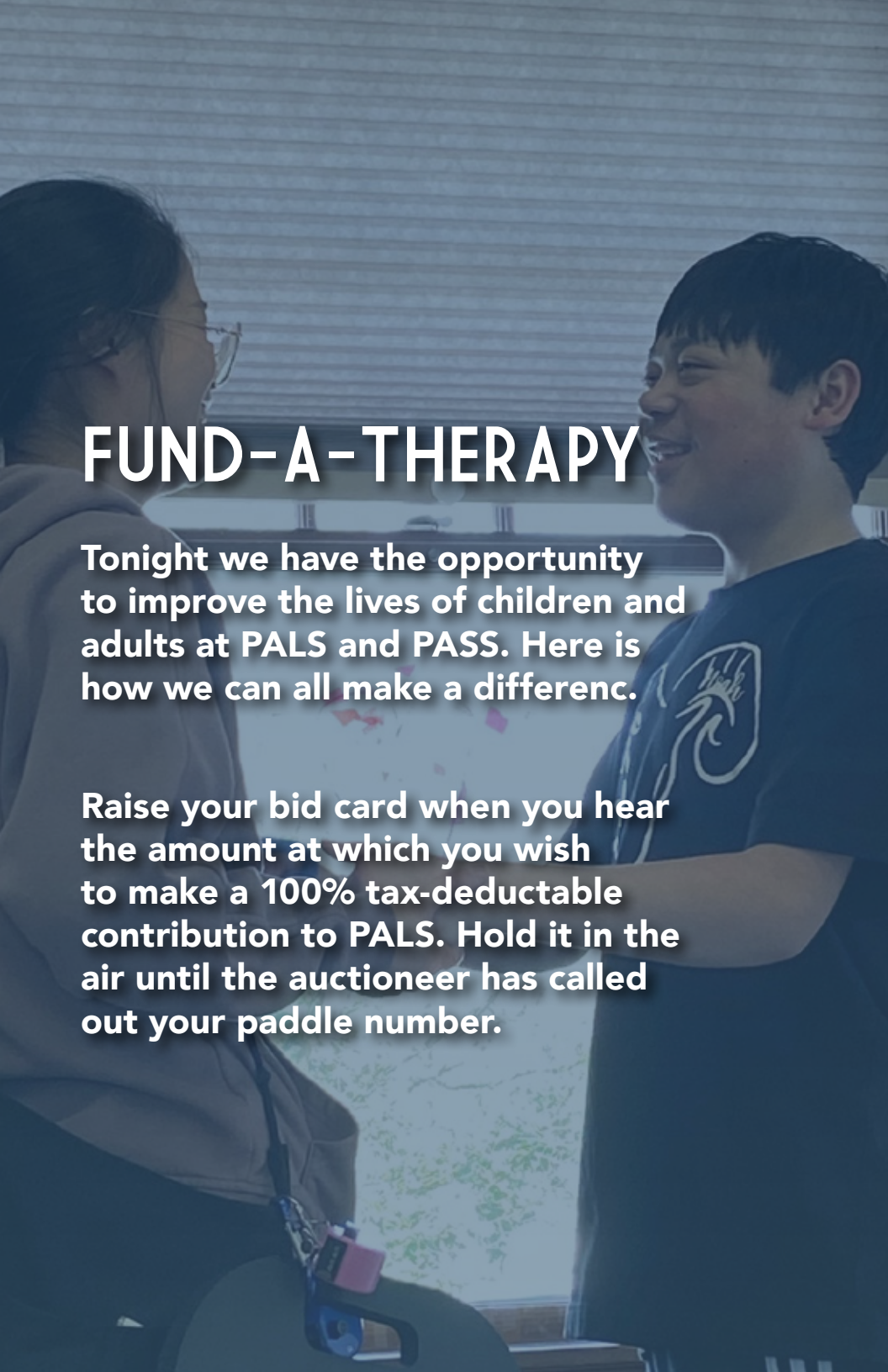
THE ART OF INVESTMENTS

# SILENT AUCTION SPOTLIGHT



- 100 Predator Ridge Stay and Golf - Value \$1,585  
Donor: Predator Ridge and Wesbild
- 101 Villa in the Valley - Value \$4,500  
Donor: Bonney Rempel
- 103 Fairmont Hotel Vancouver Stay - Value \$600  
Donor: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver
- 104 Chateau Haut-Brion - Value \$1,800  
Donor: Ruth Clausen
- 105 "Alive" by Ramin Jamalpour - Value \$3,800  
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- 106 Layer of Beginnings by Golnaz Kiany - Value \$2,500  
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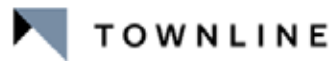
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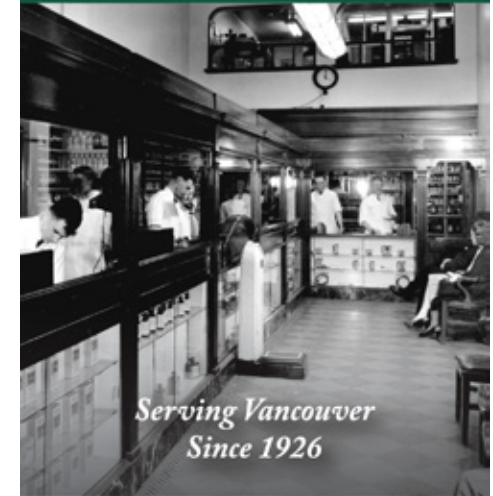
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