

MID-COLUMBIA
MASTERSINGERS

JUSTIN RAFFA, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

*A Dickens
Delight*



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HOLIDAY FRIENDRAISER

DECEMBER 16, 2012
TRI-CITY COUNTRY CLUB

A Dickens Delight

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Justin Raffa

PERFORMERS

Soprano

Molly Holleran
Mitzi Lundberg
Wendy Newbury
Kristin Swisher

Alto

Terri Geluso
Tara Swanson
Kelli Weinbender

Tenor

Will Ekstrom
Patrick Faulk
Sam Purvine
Justin Raffa

Bass

Joseph Haws
Tyler Kruse
Reginald Unterseher

Erin Menke, flute
Chelsea Spence-Crane, harp
Tara Swanson, piano

CONDUCTING INTERN

Will Ekstrom

FRIENDRAISER COMMITTEE

Jo Brodzinski, Chair
Benita Brown
Lisa Hill
Molly Holleran
Mitzi Lundberg
Jeanette Mendell
Ted Miller
Tina Miller
Sam Purvine
Justin Raffa

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Double Feature

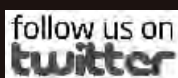
**With the
Spokane Choral Artists**

MCM and SCA join to perform double chorus
works by Poulenc, Vaughan Williams,
Schumann and Mascagni

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FEBRUARY 9, 8:00 PM
FEBRUARY 10, 2:00 PM
PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, KENNEWICK

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SILENT AUCTION

To bid on a silent auction item, please sign your auction number on the bid sheet for each item, next to the bid amount.

TABLE 1 - CHRISTMAS PAST

1. Lladró figurines: "Cat & Mouse" & "Kitty Confrontation"
2. "12 Days of Christmas" figurine
3. A three bottle Barnard Griffin Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 Reserve with automatic wine opener
4. Shale Scentsy Package
5. "Rattlesnake Sunset" - photograph by RJ Debevec
6. A pair of tickets to Mid-Columbia Musical Theatre's upcoming production of "The Unsinkable Molly Brown"
7. A three bottle vertical of Terra Blanca Syrah (2001, 2002, 2003) finishing with a bottle of 2006 Syrah Reserve
8. Elegant Fossil dress watch
9. Ted Neth stainless steel relief, "Cannon Beach December Surf"
10. A Visit to Japan: Japanese tea pot and cups, tea, snacks and a visit from Erika Clough to learn about Japanese culture
11. Holiday scarves: "Red for Holidays," handknit by JoAnn Deichman, and a Pendleton O'Neill plaid scarf
12. A treasure box by local artist, Susan Thompson
13. Gourmet dinner for 6 prepared by Eva Baroni and Donna Glass
14. A Kestrel VIP tour and wine tasting package for 10
15. Vocal coaching with Molly Holleran OR vocal performance provided at a wedding or other event
16. "Poinsettias," a beautiful watercolor by local artist Maja Shaw
17. Lladró figurine: "Millennium Father Time"

TABLE 2 - CHRISTMAS PRESENT

18. Lladró figurines: "Japanese Women"
19. 12 Days of Christmas Wagon
20. A three bottle tasting of award winning Chardonnays from Barnard Griffin, L'École and Apex, with chilled pourer
21. Christmas Snow Flakes Scentsy Package
22. "Mimosa Bumblebee" - photograph by RJ Debevec
23. Two tickets to the next Richland Players production, followed by a late night treat at Cheese Louise
24. Frost Me Sweet cupcakes with antique glass cake plate
25. Women's jewelry and variegated pink scarf

26. "A Christmas Carol" - a reproduction of Dickens's original 1843 manuscript plus a current illustrated version
27. "English Tea Basket" - Cups and saucers for two with scone mix, tin of English tea, and two jars of Ann Eaton's homemade jam
28. Starbucks Coffee Basket plus holiday tumbler
29. Department 56 Dickens Christmas Village - bid on individual pieces or entire set
30. Relax with a massage from Connie DeHaan at New Horizons, plus Christmas candles
31. Chocolate Shop Wine - A double magnum of the Chocolate lovers wine, plus Jim Shore art: "Country Heritage" pig figurine
32. Lisa Hill watercolors: "Yuletide" & "Winter Wonderland"
33. Two hours of entertainment by King of the Keyboard Steve Haberman
34. A visit from Santa Claus plus two pieces of Santa artwork

TABLE 3 - CHRISTMAS YET TO COME

35. Lladró figurines: "African Elephants" & "Hindu Children"
36. Dickens Delight Nutcrackers
37. A four bottle Terra Blanca tasting of unique red wine varietals
38. Snowflakes Scentsy Package plus Deborah Barnard holiday platter
39. "Winter Eagle" - photograph by RJ Debevec
40. Two tickets to the Mid-Columbia Symphony concert, "Heroes," January 20, 2013, plus MCS mug and tickets to the Oregon East Symphony
41. Fill out your wine cellar with a 1/2 case of VineHeart ports and ice wines from Kiona and L'École
42. Origami Nativity Scene
43. Thomas Kinkade Cottage print with custom frame
44. Red Cross Emergency Basket
45. His & Hers Scarves: Pendleton cashmere Blackwatch Plaid and "White Fleck for Winter" handknit by JoAnn Deichman
46. VineHeart Port and box of cigars
47. Otis Kenyon Winery - Tasting for 20
48. Baroque angel print with 24-ct gold leaf moulding
49. Christmas music package plus tickets to MCM concerts

LIVE AUCTION

Lot 101 - Terra Blanca Box

Award winning Terra Blanca reserve releases of their signature Onyx Bordeaux blend: two bottles of 2002 and one of 2005.

Lot 102 - Fly Fishing

For the sports minded male we have a special day of delight. Paul Krupin is a seasoned and professional fly fisherman that will take you for a day's journey. He guarantees you success and as a unique experience we have two special hand tied flies to lure you to a delightful winning trip.

Lot 103 - Cave B Winery Getaway

Getaway package at Cave B Estate Winery with a one-night stay in a two-bedroom Cliffhouse, including a private tasting and tour. Cave B Estate Winery is an award-winning boutique winery on the spectacular Columbia River Gorge, adjacent to the famous Gorge Amphitheater. They grow an unusually broad range of varietals, made possible in large part by the microclimates existant in their distinctive cliffside location, 900 feet above the Columbia River. At Cave B, they are all about creating fine wines which enable wonderful wine experiences.

Lot 104 - Choose Music for the Mastersingers to Perform

Now is your chance to help Artistic Director Justin Raffa select some of the music for the Mastersingers to perform during their upcoming 2013-14 season. Bid will be based on length of music at \$200 per minute or \$250 per minute if additional instrumental forces are required beyond piano. Music choices and concert scheduling will be finalized in consultation with Justin.

Lot 105 - Cigar Connoisseur Package

Ampersand cigar humidior with stainless steel cigar cutter and five hand-made award-winning cigars.

Lot 106 - Green Fairies and Secret Herbals

Join Reginald Unterseher for a tasting of complex herbal liqueurs and botanical spirits with discussion of their secrets, history and lore. Liqueurs will include Fernet Branca, Chartreuse, Hum, Zucca Rabarbaro and Absinthe. Experience them solo and in cocktails.

Lot 107 - For Her: Jewelry

For her we have two beautiful necklaces. One is a 22-inch sterling silver with checker board cut genuine amethyst, citrine, and blue topaz semi precious gems. The other is a 20-inch keshi pearl necklace in natural hues of taupe and cocoa, with a 14 carat clasp.

Lot 108 - Ted Neth Christmas Tree

For the art collector we have an everlasting Christmas tree from Ted Neth entitled "Morning Light through the Trees," in stainless steel relief.

Lot 109 - Italian Feast of the Seven Fishes with Justin Raffa

MCM Artistic Director Justin Raffa is delighted to recreate his family's annual Christmas Eve *Feast of the Seven Fishes* for you and up to nine additional guests who share a love of great food and companionship. The long tradition of eating seafood

on Christmas Eve dates from the Roman Catholic custom of refraining from the consumption of meat and milk products on the eve of a holy day. Observant Catholics would instead eat fish, typically fried in oil. Justin is happy to share his holiday tradition of a meal incorporating seven different kinds of seafood, including clams, shrimp, calamari, crab, scallops, as well as smeltz and baccalà, two types of fish that are central to the meal. Italian pastas, salad, vino rosso and an assortment of antipasti will accompany the seafood dishes, including items unique to Justin's version of the meal from his hometown in Glassboro, NJ, such as orange slices soaked in olive oil and garlic, cannoli from Termini Brothers Italian Bakery in South Philly, and his favorite, Crown Royal shooters to greet arriving guests! Since it is customary for the men to prepare and cook this meal each year, Justin will fly out his father Fred Raffa to serve as head chef for the evening. From our family and friends in South Jersey to yours: Buon Natale, and mangiare!

Lot 110 - For Him: Mastersingers Logo Pocket Knife

In our tradition of offering an item with the Mastersingers logo, we have found a unique and one of a kind pocket knife that has been paired with a money clip and key chain all adorned with the Mid-Columbia Mastersingers logo. The knife is a work of art by William Henry. The blade is hand forged stainless Damascus steel, treated and honed to retain sharpness and edge. The frame is created from pure iron, copper and nickel silver. The scale and inlay is Curly koa wood hand selected for premium figure, color, and durability. This piece features premium natural gemstones of citrine, cut and set in an 18K gold bezels. It is registered, has a certificate of authenticity and limited warranty. #075 of 100.

Lot 111 - Leonetti Tasting & Hors D'Oeuvres

Spend an evening with Jo Brodzinski and Robbie Heegel tasting the best of Leonetti wines and hors d'oeuvres. We will match the unique flavors of Gary Figgins' Leonetti wines with foods to tantalize your palettes for a delightfully delectable experience.

Lot 112 - Conduct the Mastersingers

Have you always dreamed of being a maestro? Want a chance to stand in front of a great choir and be the director? The winner of this bid will have the opportunity to conduct the Mastersingers on a particular piece of music at a live performance during the 2013-14 season. Timeline and music to be conducted shall be negotiated with Artistic Director Justin Raffa. Winner will also receive preparatory conducting lessons, a baton if desired, and practice time with the Mastersingers leading up to the performance.

Lot 113 - Leonetti Box

Be the proud owner of a sealed box of six bottles of 2009 Leonetti Reserve, sold only to their exclusive members.

Lot 114 - Hawaiian Paradise

Enjoy a five day trip to the beautiful island of Maui. You will stay in a studio apartment at the Maui Kai on the ocean with a gorgeous view of the islands of Molokai and Lanai. Includes a \$500 airline gift certificate to apply to your flight.

GUIDELINES

Use only the bid number assigned to you. Remember that a bid is your personal commitment to purchase.

Please pay for your items with check to Mid-Columbia Mastersingers (MCM), cash, VISA or Mastercard.

Credit card payments will include a service fee, debit card payments will not.

Where applicable, lot prizes are subject to availability and will be arranged at a mutually agreeable time and date.

Any amount paid above the value of the item, and \$35 of this evening's ticket price, are tax deductible contributions. Consult your tax advisor.

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