Contribution Ideas for East Shore Auction 2025

Deadline for contributions: Feb 12th 2025

- A themed dinner for several guests - what a great way to get to know others!
- A group event at a community venue - a winery, spa, restaurant, unique business, etc.
- An outdoor group adventure - bike ride, hike, garden tour, boat ride, airplane ride!
- A lesson on a home DIY topic such as how to wire a light fixture, how to tile a floor, repair plumbing, fix a hole in the wall, build a rock wall, etc.
- A group experience - cooking, gardening, soap making, jam making, etc.
- An exercise class - Yoga, Zumba, personal training session, etc.
- Dance or music lessons (you decide how many)
- An educational tour - geology, architecture, haunted establishments, whatever you know.
- Chores for a few hours - housecleaning, painting, gardening, pressure washing, organizing.
- A chauffeur ride - to the airport, errands, appointments, etc.
- Tickets to a play, concert, sports event, etc. Can't use that season ticket? Donate it!
- A game night or tournament - poker, tennis, badminton, bridge, etc.
- Artists - a commissioned work or consultation.
- Professionals - offer a consultation in the area of your expertise - financial advising, computer systems, nutrition, tutoring, massage, personal training, etc.
- A kids' party. Magic, juggling, clowning, baking, Lego building, crafting, storytelling, etc.

- A meal, appetizers, drinks, an afternoon tea, chocolate or wine tasting, coffee, Girl Scout cookies, etc. in your home or setting of your choice, and if your home isn't big enough...

YOU CAN ALWAYS RESERVE SPACE AT EAST SHORE FOR YOUR EVENT IF YOU NEED A LARGER VENUE.

Tips:

· Set a time and date for your event upfront to help with scheduling - especially if it's a group event. We can add these to the Auction calendar to avoid conflicting dates.

· If you think something sounds fun or educational, chances are someone else will also enjoy it!

· Group events are a great way to meet people and build community!

Ready to submit your offering for the auction:

For repeat items from previous years, please email Amanda Strombom with your item name and any changes you need to make. There's no need to complete a contribution form.

For new items, complete this Contribution Form.

Title – Give your item a snappy title.

Description - Provide a colorful description of your item. Put all the key facts in paragraph form here, including the date, time and location if this is an event. This is what will appear in the catalog, although the auction team can edit it if needed.

If you want to see what you offered last year, look for "Blossoming Community" in your inbox.

Terms and Conditions - If your item has special instructions or conditions, put them here. Or you can write them in the description instead.

Value - Estimate the monetary value of your item (per person). It might not sell for this amount, but it is a good indication of the type of bid expected. Numerical values only.

Quantity - This is the number of winning bid slots available. If you intend your item to be won by only one person, enter "1". If you would like your item to have multiple winners, enter the maximum number of winning bidders. For example, if

your item is an event (e.g. dinner for twelve), enter the maximum number of participants. Numerical values only.

Solicitor – This will not show in the catalog and is not a required field.

Notes - Write any notes to the auction team here. This will not show in the catalog. If you're willing to offer two of the same item, say so here. Other helpful information would be your desired minimum bid if you don't want your item sold below a certain price. If you do not have a photo to upload, you can also tell us to use last year's photo, or ask us find a stock photo for your item.

On the 2nd page, you will also be able to upload photos of your item or previous event, if you have relevant ones we could use for the catalog.

Questions?

Need help picking a date, writing up your item or event, or suggestions on whom to work with? Contact one of our friendly Auction team members:

- **Amanda Strombom**, **Bill Austin**, **Sharon Cooper**, **Elaine Cox**, **Lauren Crowder**, **Trevor Hall**

Remember, 100% of the proceeds from the Auction go directly to support the good works of East Shore.

Thank you for helping to make the Auction successful!