

**September 25, 2011**  
**GFS Epicurean Palette Silent Auction Items**  
**Location: Domestic Arts Building**  
**Bidding ends at 3:30 pm**



**1. Weekend in Philadelphia**

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$424)

Head to the “city of brotherly love” for a weekend of culture, food, and luxury sleep. This package includes an overnight stay, brunch and a tour for 2 at the Union League, as well as 8 tickets to the Franklin Institute.



**2. Weekend at Grounds For Sculpture**

Opening bid: \$250 (value: \$500)

Grab this rare opportunity to stay overnight in our beautiful Visiting Artist Apartment for one night, located above Rat’s Restaurant. Enjoy a breakfast basket and two front-row tickets to a concert of your choice from our 2011-2012 season.



**3. Lover’s Escape in Princeton**

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$425)

Escape into the enchanting world of theater at McCarter Theater, located in downtown Princeton. With a choice of five performances from the 2011-2012 Theater Series, there’s something for all tastes. The performances include: *Ten Cents A Dance*, *Phaedra Backwards*, *The Convert*, *Travesties*, and *Are You There, McPhee?* Then, keep the romance going with a night at the Inn at Glencairn, a boutique hotel in a meticulously renovated 1736 Georgian manor. The next day, tantalize your tastebuds with a premium wine tasting for eight in the unique historic 1858 tasting room at Unionville Vineyards.



**4. GFS Moonlight Tour Spring 2012**

Opening bid: \$100 (value: \$200)

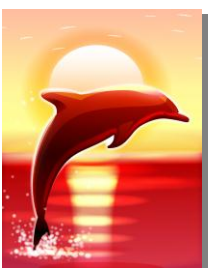
A private Moonlight Tour for up to 10 people! Let the magnificence of Grounds For Sculpture by moonlight wow you and your friends in an experience like no other. This popular program features an informative docent-led tour and the majesty of the park all lit up in evening brilliance.



**5. Picnic in the Park**

Opening bid: \$50 (value: \$100)

Sit on the grass or stroll through the sculptures and take in the breathtaking ambience at GFS with a premium Peacock Café picnic basket in hand, including cured meats and cheeses, salads, sandwiches, special desserts, and a bottle of wine. This delightful day-trip includes two complimentary admissions GFS.



**6. Magic Kingdom Vacation**

Opening bid: \$300 (value: \$600)

Plan your family vacation and create memories for a lifetime. Stay for a week in a 4 bedroom tropical themed townhome just a few miles from Disney World, Sea World, Universal Studios and thousands of other attractions at The Emerald Island Resort in Kissimmee, FL. This luxury resort features a heated pool, hot tub, tiki bar, playground picnic area, volleyball court, and bike path.



### 7. A Day at the Races

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$750)

Let H. Robb Levinsky, founder and racing manager of Kenwood Racing, give you and five friends a behind the scenes look into the Sport of Kings! Join Mr. Levinsky for an entertaining day of racing at Monmouth Park and experience the excitement of “The Shore’s Greatest Stretch” as you receive a behind the scenes tour of the paddock area and racing office, as well as a meet and greet

with some of Monmouth’s top trainers. Take in the races from Kenwood’s Parterre box and enjoy wine, appetizers and soft drinks while you receive handicapping tips and top selections from Mr. Levinsky.



### 8. Casting with a Master

Opening bid: \$400 (value: \$800)

We are very pleased to offer this amazing opportunity to create an original cast sculpture from start to finish with a master of the technique, and “Artist in the Park” Gyuri Hollosy. In this private 7 session class, you will be guided step-by-step from clay to resin in creating a sculptural portrait. During the first 4 sessions, Gyuri will help you build an armature and teach you to construct your portrait in clay. Then the following 3 sessions will be devoted to mold-making, casting in the artist’s own special formula of resin and sawdust, and then finishing the sculpture. All classes will be held in the artist’s studio at Grounds For Sculpture.



### 9. Breaking the Mold

Opening bid: \$250 (value: \$500)

This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to work individually with an artist in their medium. Join Clifford Ward, an experienced artist educator and “Artist in the Park” for a 4 session class and create an embellished headdress sculpture in plaster. During the first session, Cliff will help you cast your face in plaster, in the second session you will embellish the mask, in the third you will create the headdress and assemble the parts, and in the fourth you will finish with paint and patina. All classes will be held in the artist’s studio at Grounds For Sculpture. You must be comfortable with applying the safe, non-toxic material of plaster bandage to your face.



photo by Marie Labbanz

### 10. Private Chef

Opening bid: \$600 (value: \$1800)

Let Rat’s own executive chef, Shane Cash, prepare a delicious six course tasting meal (3 hors d’oeuvres, 3 course dinner) for 6 guests in the exclusive and private Rat Hole – an exquisite chef’s table in a beautifully appointed room tucked deep inside the restaurant. Also includes 1 signature Starr beverage and soft beverages.



### 11. Six wines from Rat's wine cellar

Opening bid: \$500 (value: \$1000)

Cellar raid! Get a personal tour of the wine cellar and take your pick of 6 bottles from the impressive collection.



### 12. GFS Sculpture Hunt Experience

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$500)

Bid on a private Sculpture Hunt Experience for up to 25 people! The Sculpture Hunt is a fun and energetic introduction to Grounds For Sculpture, a great way to celebrate a birthday, family reunion, office outing, or just to have fun with friends. An educator will greet your group and give a brief orientation to the park and the 1-hour activity. Your group will be split into smaller teams, who will compete to win prizes for being the fastest to complete questions and find selected outdoor sculptures.



### 13. Four Rat's Charger Plates: *Seasons of Sculpture*

Opening bid: \$150 (value: \$300)

A new set of colorful and decorative Charger Plates for each season is the perfect way to take a little bit of the Grounds For Sculpture home with you. These designs are hot off the press and not yet available in our gift stores! These plates feature the Giverny Bridge and sculptures by Horace Farlowe and Seward Johnson.



### 14. Out of Towner

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$420)

A wonderful getaway for yourself, or an out of town guest. First, enjoy a delicious meal for two at Salt Creek Grille. Then, sleep soundly at the Princeton Marriott at Forrestal and awake to pampering with an invigorating massage. Featuring one of the top day spas in Princeton, this hotel offers all of the amenities of a typical resort including a health club, swimming pool, jogging, indoor tennis and recreational facilities, and 35,000 sq ft of state-of-the-art meeting space.



### 15. GFS Gifts, Gear, and Membership Basket

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$400)

Bring your family to GFS all year long and show your love with a selection of GFS gifts and gear to go with a Family Plus Membership. This membership includes: Year-round general admission to the park and indoor galleries for the cardholder, one additional adult and all children seventeen and under living at the cardholder's address. Six one-time use guest passes. Invitation for two to members-only exhibition openings and special events. 10% discount at Rat's Restaurant and The Peacock Café and at the Toad Hall and Museum gift shops. 10% discount on all classes, workshops and lectures. Free exhibition catalog and site map. A docent-led tour of GFS for up to 10 free-admission guests.



### 16. Awkward Family Photo

Opening bid: \$200 (value: \$2000)

Okay, so maybe the return of the mullet hairstyle was not such a great idea, but you can still create a lasting memory of you and those you love with a 14" wall portrait (unframed) on canvas. Artist enhanced from Kramer Photography. Photo can include up to 8 people.

### 17. Family Membership to Newark Museum

Opening bid: \$30 (value: \$60)

Bring culture and learning to your family time together with a membership to the Newark Museum. This membership provides one year free admission for two adults and up to four children (through age 16) in addition to many other membership benefits to the Newark Museum.



### 18. Baseball Fan

Opening bid: \$50 (value: \$130)

Let Starr Tours take you out to the ball game with transportation and 2 tickets to see a NY Yankees game during the 2012 season at Yankees Stadium! Keep your baseball fix going with 4 tickets to see the Trenton Thunder.

### 19. International Sculpture Center Basic Membership

Opening bid: \$35 (value: \$100)

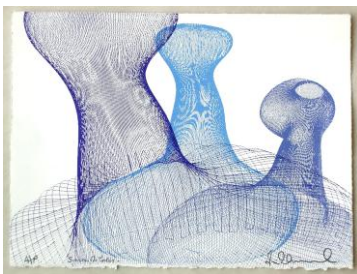
Being a member of the International Sculpture Center is the perfect way to immerse yourself in the world of sculpture. This one year subscription includes 10 issues of *Sculpture*, the ISC's members-only newsletter, a listing on Portfolio within the ISC's website, access to password-protected areas of [www.sculpture.org](http://www.sculpture.org), and reduced registration fees for ISC conferences and workshops. In addition there are discounts on supplies and services from ISC vendor members, and awards, solo exhibitions, and other notable news eligible to be published in *On Record*.



### 20. Quiet Mask

Opening bid: \$2000

A zen-like ink drawing by acclaimed artist and Board Member, Elizabeth Strong Cuevas. This original drawing on hand-made Indian paper features the elegant simplicity of Strong Cuevas' modern style.



### 21. Singer of Tales

Opening bid: \$150 (value: \$350)

This signed and numbered fine art print by sculptor Jon Isherwood is a silkscreened image of the 3D rendering process that the artist uses to create his undulating stone sculptures. No. 44 of 50.

### 22. Dinner and a Show #1

Opening bid: \$70 (value: \$146)

Catch a great act in your local theater, *Concerts at the Crossing*, in Titusville, NJ (2 tickets) to see David Wax Museum on November 19, 2011. They are kicking up a cloud of excitement with their high-energy border-crossing sensibility, fusing traditional Mexican folk with American roots and indie rock. Then, dine at the unique New Hope, PA restaurant, Marsha Brown featuring refined Creole cuisine of New Orleans.

### 23. Dinner and a Show #2

Opening bid: \$80 (value: \$180)

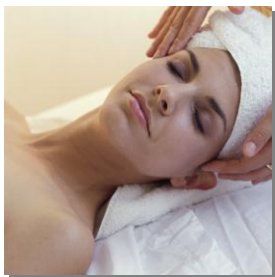
Catch a great act in your local theater, *Concerts at the Crossing*, in Titusville, NJ (4 tickets) to see The Write Stuff, Vol. 1 on April 21, 2012. A celebration of the works of legendary classic country songwriters, featuring the songs of Hank Williams, Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton, Loretta Lynn, Buck Owens, and Willie Nelson. Then, dine at the unique New Hope, PA restaurant, Marsha Brown featuring refined Creole cuisine of New Orleans.



### 24. Paint the Town

Opening bid: \$35 (value: \$75)

Go shopping or take a class at the Lawrenceville Main Street Artists Network. This volunteer-led organization is dedicated to fostering a creative, nurturing community for both local artists and Lawrenceville residents and visitors.



### 25. Brand-new You

Opening bid: \$110 (value: \$300)

Gain back some years lost to sun damage, stress, etc. with a gift certificate for any of the non-surgical skin rejuvenation services and anti-aging treatments offered at La Chelé Medical Spa in New Hope, PA. Keep the pampered you happy with a massage at the tranquil Zanya Spa Salon in Lambertville, NJ.



### 26. Miele Salsa Vacuum

Opening bid: \$300 (value: \$699)

Muy caliente! The Miele vacuum is the ultimate in cleaning machines, and this one comes in a saucy red color to perk up your chores. This upright vacuum provides superior filtration performance and cleaning ability. In addition, it includes an impressive 54-foot cleaning radius, patented Swivel-neck for maximum maneuverability, 12-foot, integrated, flexible hose, anti-tipping device for enhanced stability when using included accessories, reinforced, ergonomic handles for both operation and transport/carrying, and a two-year warranty.



### 27. Top Chef

Opening bid: \$400 (value: \$975)

Learn the secrets of the masters and work in a professional kitchen side by side with the chefs of Provence Catering to create a stunning meal for 4 to take home. Provence Catering is the mid-Atlantic region's premier off premise, custom-to-the-client caterer proudly offering their discerning social, corporate and university clientele the highest level of full-service hospitality and event planning.



### 28. You're a Gem

Opening bid: \$85 (value: \$185)

This stunning gemstone and semi-precious necklace was designed and hand-strung by the experts at Bucks County Beads in Newtown, PA. The Amazonite Quartz pendant is a smoky merlot color with a strand of alternating aquamarine and garnet colored Czech glass beads.

### **29. Portrait of an Artist**

Opening bid: \$60 (value: \$180)

Get to know Annie. Annie Leibovitz has photographed musicians, actors, and writers since the early 1970s, capturing some of the most enduring images of our time. This Random House book collection includes 4 publications of the work of this celebrated photographer. They are: *Pilgrimage* (first edition), *American Music*, *Annie Leibovitz at Work*, and *A Photographer's Life*.

### **30. Crane Quilt**

Opening bid: \$100 (value: \$250)

A beautiful adornment for the home, this handmade quilt by Linda Popken features crane motifs in the fabric as well as intricate stitching. A native from Le Mars, Iowa (the Ice Cream Capital of the World), Ms. Popken started quilting in 1992. As a winner of the Robert Kaufman 2008 Quilt Gage Contest, her winning quilt was exhibited in numerous cultural venues throughout the United States. She is currently designing quilt patters under the name of Linda Lou DeZines, and is in the process of designing art to be printed on fabric for home décor. She has made hundreds of quilts for private individuals, and has generously donated quilts for the last 19 years to auctions for charities, with quilts selling for as much as \$3900.

### **31. Flower Quilt**

Opening bid: \$50 (value: \$150)

A beautiful gift for a girl's bedroom, this handmade quilt by Linda Popken features cheerful multi-colored flower appliques. A native from Le Mars, Iowa (the Ice Cream Capital of the World), Ms. Popken started quilting in 1992. As a winner of the Robert Kaufman 2008 Quilt Gage Contest, her winning quilt was exhibited in numerous cultural venues throughout the United States. She is currently designing quilt patters under the name of Linda Lou DeZines, and is in the process of designing art to be printed on fabric for home décor. She has made hundreds of quilts for private individuals, and has generously donated quilts for the last 19 years to auctions for charities, with quilts selling for as much as \$3900.



### **32. South Jersey Sizzle**

Opening bid: \$25 (value \$50)

Update your look and get a little glam at Rizzieri Salon & Spa in Marlton, NJ with this certificate for any of their top quality beauty services.

### **33. Far East Artistry**

Opening bid: \$50 (value \$190)

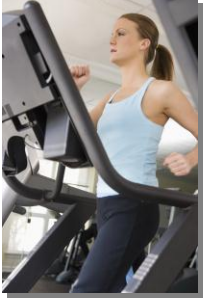
Add some Far East artistry to your home with this collector's package of a Yixing tea set and 3 Chinese scrolls. Prized by collectors all over the world, what makes an Yixing teapot unique is that the inside is never glazed. This set is an award winner of year 2000 International Tea Industry Exhibit, Wuhu, China and designed and manufactured by Shuaiyuan Zisha Studio and Company. Also in this package are three beautiful Chinese scrolls. Two are hand-painted replicas of works by Zhang Daqian, who was one of the most internationally renowned Chinese artists of the 20th century. These include a peony and a mountain snow scene. The other is a printed replica of *100 Noble Steeds* by Giuseppe Castiglione (1688-1766), or as he is known by his Chinese name, Lang Shih-ning. Trained as a painter and architect in Italy, he served as a court painter for Emperor Chien Lung. His paintings are characterized by combining Western realism with traditional Chinese brushwork.



### 34. Jay Strongwater Frame

Opening bid: \$75 (value \$350)

The internationally known American designer Jay Strongwater brings back to us the beauty and elegance of the old world. His exclusive designs are hand-enameled on metal and adorned with Swarovski crystal. Handcrafted in the US, every piece is a treasure and a collectible item that will be cherished for generations.



### 35. Body in Motion

Opening bid: \$70 (value \$145)

Get healthy, stay fit, and keep your body moving with a 2 month membership to RWJ Hamilton Center For Health & Wellness. Their goal is to provide you with the proper environment, education, motivation, and professional instruction to help you achieve your fitness goals.



### 36. Take Chef Home

Opening bid: \$500 (value: \$1200)

Let Starr Restaurant group provide a chef to prepare a delicious 5 course tasting meal for 6 guests in the comfort of your own home. Also includes 1 signature Starr beverage and soft beverages.