

## **Spring Auction Catalog Sneak Preview**

This is only a partial auction catalog – the items that are not included here are special works of art and one of a kind items created by each of the classes with the help of their amazing teachers! You must see them to believe – come prepared to bid or send someone with your proxy.

We can't wait to see you at 10am on April 16<sup>th</sup> for our Spring Picnic and Auction!

### **Leap into Learning**

LEAP into Learning - Encourage the love of language and early literacy at home with this literacy basket created by the founders of LEAP (Literacy Enrichment and Play) Help your child make connections to the books they read with our spring-themed literacy basket. The basket includes spring books, activities, and songs that will help engage your child and strengthen a love of literacy at home, a \$10 coupon for a LEAP studio class is also included. (Value \$45, Starting Bid \$10)

### **Thai and Pie**

Order in from Nidda Thai and invite your friends over for a Pie Contest! Everything you need is included in "Pie Contest in a Box" to host a pie contest among your friends including a contest handbook for novice hosts! (includes \$50 gift certificate for Nidda Thai) (Value \$64, Starting bid \$10)

### **Spectacular Spec's Happy Hour basket**

Host a Happy Hour of your own with this basket of treats from Spec's Wine, Spirits and Finer Foods includes three bottles of wine, roasted garlic spread, artichoke dip, crackers, cookies, jam and chocolate. (Value \$60, Starting bid \$15)

### **Toast and Jam**

This Tart'in Toaster from Pylones Paris features fun froggies that will add whimsy to any kitchen. Why not make some fresh baked bread to toast and top with superfruit jams from Crofter's! (Value \$84, Starting bid \$15)

### **Get out and play at the Houston Zoo**

Spend a year enjoying the Houston Zoo's fabulous habitats with a Zoo Family Membership. Included with the membership is free admission for two named adults and up to three children for 12 months, invitations to members only events, 10% discount in gift shop, discount on carousel rides and much more! Included in this pack is a lightweight Jansport backpack to carry your necessities, a bright frisbee and a May Books "Do Something Different" notebook to jot down your memories and plans for your next adventure! (Value \$185, Starting bid \$35)

### **365 days of donuts and coffee**

365 days of donuts and coffee - 365 certificates for a donut and coffee from Shipley's donuts, an OXO travel mug and a needle felted donut will keep these sweet treats on your mind! Keep them all for yourself or share them with your friends or coworkers! (Value \$1050, Starting bid \$20)

### **Personal Library from Brazos Bookstore**

This personal library provided by Brazos Bookstore includes *Sail Away* by Langston Hughes and a print signed by artist Ashley Brian from the book *Sail Away*, *Seven Brief Lessons on Physics* by Carlo Rovelli, *A Path Appears* by Nicholas D. Kristoff and Sheryl WuDunn, *Roll of Thunder Hear my Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor, *Find the Good* by Heather Lende, *Our Kind* by Kate Walbert, *Application for Release from the Dream* by Tony Hoagland, and *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom (Value \$154.88, Starting bid \$25)

### **Dinner and Drinks**

\$100 Beaver's Ice house and \$50 Axelrad Beer Garden gift cards (Value \$150, Starting bid \$25)

### **Treat yourself!**

Take a little time for yourself and relax with a mani-pedi kit and soothing ice bag from hello gorgeous, soak your cares away in lemon and rose scented bath soak and scrub the day away with a charcoal bath towel. "Be Bold" wall art to remind you to be yourself and \$25 Tiff's Treats gift card for a sweet treat on your staycation! \*Hint: Mother's Day is May 8th (Value \$70, Starting bid \$10)

### **Make a year of memories with a Houston Museum of Natural Science membership**

This Family level membership at HMNS offers free admission to the exhibits for 12 months plus invitations to special events, discounts on events, classes, lectures and tickets to special exhibitions, the butterfly center, giant screen theater and planetarium. Share the wonders of the world with your family this year! Included is a pack of astronaut icecream and a customizable chalk board photo frame to preserve your memories. (Value \$145, Starting bid \$30)

### **Burgers and Shakes**

\$50 Burger Joint gift card - enjoy burgers and shakes on the patio of the Burger Joint just around the corner! (Value \$50, Starting bid \$10)

### **Brain Builders**

This selection of classic children's learning toys will be a hit with your little one. An alphabet train puzzle, shapes and colors puzzle, two dinosaur puzzles and a shapes and color clock puzzle will encourage young minds to expand! (Value \$40, Starting bid \$10)

### **Relax away the blues!**

This "You are Loved" framed painting will remind your loved one that they are always in your heart, treat them to a home spa experience with therapeutic foot balm, fresh face spa facial pads, cooling eye pads and a ultralight sleep mask. Freshwater pearl studs are the finishing touch to any outfit! \*Hint: Mother's Day is May 8th! (Value \$40, Starting bid \$10)

### **Blast off with the Burke Baker Planetarium**

Take a trip into outer space and explore the galaxy in the Houston Museum of Natural Science's newly upgraded Burke Baker Planetarium where to get a better view of space you'd have to suit up! Four tickets to the Planetarium for the show of your choice as well as a pack of astronaut ice cream and KidzLab moon torch flashlight so the spacetastic fun doesn't have to end when the show is over! (Value \$40, Starting bid \$10)

### **Menchie's Fro-yo party pack**

This party pack from Menchie's includes a party for 10 people (includes yogurt, toppings, color in t-shirt, swirl top hat, bottled water and goodie bag for 10 children plus a plush menchie for the birthday child) included for added flair is a Happy Birthday Garland and a Hooray balloon decoration kit. Get this party started! (Value \$208, Starting bid \$35)

### **Creative Kiddo pack**

Insect Paint and Play, bathtub finger paints, paint brush set, pool pinwheel (Value \$36, Starting bid \$10)

### **Take me out to the ball game- Astros pack**

4 tickets to a regular season home game at Minute Maid Park during the 2016 season, fan pack includes an Astros decal, stick on face tattoos, and a ball shaped pennant (Value \$220, Starting bid \$30)

### **Take aim and get creative!**

Framed and signed "Aim" print from Lisa Chow, a pack of temporary tattoos, buttons and a blank journal featuring more of Lisa Chow's whimsical art and a blank journal as well as a "Creativity Takes Courage" May Designs coloring book and crayons and a pair of tickets to the Houston Museum of Natural Science's exhibit halls, planetarium and butterfly center all packed into a tiny suitcase. (Value \$138, Starting bid \$25)

### **The Happiest Hour**

Visit Sparrow Bar + Cookshop and try out their fabulous lounge menu with a friend with this \$50 gift card (Value \$50, Starting bid \$10)

### **Sugar Land Skeeters game and a sweet treat**

Get some friends together for a game Sugar Land Skeeters and Amy's Ice cream for four! 4 field box vouchers for a 2016 Skeeter's Game and certificates for Amy's ice cream. (Value \$85, Starting bid \$10)

### **Kolaches and Knowledge**

Start your day off with Kolaches from the Kolache factory and then spend the day at the Houston Museum of Natural Science with tickets for four to the exhibit halls, butterfly center and newly upgraded planetarium (includes \$10 gift card for Kolache Factory) (Value \$162, Starting bid \$30)

### **Houston Dash pack**

2 tickets to a 2016 Dash game access to sideline before kickoff, a tiny soccer ball for tiny hopefuls and a polar bottle to keep your water cool on a hot day at practice! (Value \$98, Starting bid \$20)

### **Colorful Ceramic Cat Collection**

Artist Laurel Burch is known for her colorful cat images, this collection of ceramic dishes includes 6 dinner plates, 4 dessert plates, 2 large mugs and a small bowl for salsa each with a uniquely colorful cat featured. (Value \$120, Starting bid \$25)

### **Taste of Thailand**

\$50 Nidda Thai gift card (Value \$50, Starting bid \$10)

### **Boho bag and dinner Fogo de Chao Churrascaria**

You'll be at your boho best with Tylie Malibu's Gypsy Caravan cross-body in tow. We love the laid-back appeal of its bead accents, but we're also fans of the luxe, lushly textured leather. Perfect for a night on the town and dinner at Fogo de Chao (\$75 gift card included) (Value \$415, Starting bid \$50)

### **Pizza Party**

Make your own delicious pizzeria pizza at home with this baking stone, get some hints from "revolutionary pizza" and invite some friends over to taste your creations. Kitchen Towel, set of coasters and cotton napkins included (Value \$95, Starting bid \$20)

### **Nature's Brilliance - butterfly package**

This package includes a mounted butterfly (mounted by one of our very own Avalon parents who is an entomologist at the Houston Museum of Natural Science!), four passes to the Houston Museum of Natural Science Cockrell Butterfly Center and four passes to the Museum's permanent exhibit halls (Value \$120, Starting bid \$20)

### **There's always something to be THANKFUL for**

This special collection serves as a reminder to be thankful for all of the wonderful things we have in life and give when we can. May Designs lined journal, festive multicolored notecards and framed Paper Source print. (Value \$42, Starting bid \$10)

### **Ring Leader**

Framed and signed print by Lisa Chow features fantastical buildings that seem to come alive. Includes Lisa Chow journal and buttons featuring her artwork. (Value \$30, Starting bid \$5)

### **Silver Service**

Godinger Silver Plated grape design marble tray with grape design server makes a perfect presentation for your favorite cheeses and appetizers (Value \$60, Starting bid \$10)

...and MUCH MORE! Bid early, bid often and support Avalon Academy!