What's Up for Bid at the 2017 Cornucopia Auction & Social?

Hundreds of items—from one-of-a-kind artwork, creations by local artisans, museum passes, gifts cards to favorite local shops and restaurants, overnight stays at special places, and much more—will be up for bid at this year's auction, on Saturday, November 4, from 5 to 9 PM. Can't make it in person? Fill out a proxy bidder form on The Academy's <u>auction web page!</u>

Here are just a few highlights:



Look, we know this is a tender time for Red Sox Nation. But the beauty of being a Sox fan is you never give up hope. So by next spring, think how happy you'll be that you made the winning bid on a **pair of box seats at Fenway.** Comes with free parking just a 10-minute walk away. Like a little culture with your sports? The Sox tickets are bundled with **passes to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts**. *And*, we have two of these packages!

Value for each package: \$350. Bidding will start at \$200.



Ann Parker, an Academy great aunt and wonderfully talented artist, has once again donated one of her **fabulous botanical prints**, **Botanical Metamorphosis Bleeding Heart**. This one-of-a-kind image was created by the artist using a process that she pioneered in the 1980s.

The 15.25" x 15.25" photogram is matted in a 20" x 20" frame. The gallery price is \$1,200; bidding starts at \$600.

Hit the slopes with two lift tickets from Mount Snow.

Value: \$200. Bidding starts at \$150.





This beautiful **cherry coffee tab**le is a cooperative piece of fine craftsmanship, handmade by local furniture maker Howard Crowingshield with hand-rubbed natural oil finish and patina tint legs by Ken Bigelow. 14" x 31" x 17".

Value: \$120. Bidding starts at \$50.

Here's the view from the master balcony at the Guest House at Field Farm in Williamstown. Really, do you need any more motivation to bid on a one-night stay for two at this lovely place? OK, how about this: "Featuring an unparalleled view of Mt Greylock, Massachusetts' highest peak, the Bauhaus inspired house with museum quality modern furnishings and artwork is situated in the middle of 316 acres of conserved land with four miles of trails."

Value: \$250. Bidding starts at \$100.





Glass artist Robert Dane's urchin bowl is created in his studio in the northern Berkshires of western Massachusetts. Dane's work is influenced by the Italian tradition of glassblowing but has a distinctly American flavor. Vibrant colors and the spontaneous improvisation of these unique designs distinguish his work in a 2,000-year tradition of glassblowing.

Value: \$100. Bidding starts at \$65.

The perfect treat for complete relaxation and pampering, a Couple's Paradise Package at Northampton's East Heaven Hot Tubs includes a 1/2 hour hot tub followed by an hour long couple's massage. Can be used for either an indoor or outdoor hot tub. Not valid for Friday or Saturday nights. No expiration date.

Value: \$235. Bidding starts at \$140.





Karen Rehmus P10, 14 cooks delicious, authentic Greek cuisine—and she delivers! Your personal Greek Feast for Six will be tailored to meet meat-eating or vegetarian needs, and will include items such as beef or chicken stefatho (a slow-cooked stew made with onions, cinnamon and cloves, and tomatoes) OR gigandes (white fava beans stewed with tomatoes, olives, and Greek spices), tourlou

(a medley of vegetables), along with an authentic greek salad (a mix of tomatoes and cucumbers, feta, onions, Greek olives, oregano and extra virgin Greek olive oil). For the appetizer, enjoy homemade pita chips with tzatziki (yogurt and cucumber dip) and of course, a Greek sweet for dessert. Opa!

Value: \$150; Minimum Bid: \$100.



Two full-day river rafting trips on the Deerfield River with Zoar Outdoor. Lunch is included, and the trips run from 10am-4pm on any Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. With a minimum age of 7, and weight between 50-250 pounds, these Class II whitewater rapids, with one Class III rapid, are ideal for beginner rafters. Valid until 8/31/18.

Value \$180; bidding starts at \$120.

An enjoyable – and educational – evening! A private wine tasting for up to 10 people, hosted by Provisions at the shop in Northampton. Wines, cheeses, meats and snacks included. You'll take home an information packet about the wines for future reference, too. Sound like a good time? Grab some friends and bid on this sure-to-be desired item!

Value: \$400; bidding starts at \$250.

