



Auction Protocol – How does it work?

Q: What should I wear?

So many options...keep things simple and get cocktail ready for a night of excitement and intrigue or up your cover story and attend as your favorite Bond character, villain or Bond girl. You might also opt to go deep under cover as an alternative to Bond such as characters from Austin Powers or Johnny English. The choice is yours.

Q: What happens when I arrive at the auction?

The first thing you do when you arrive on March 23rd is check in. You will need to have bought your tickets in advance and at check-in you will receive your packet which includes your table number, the bid book, your bid number and your paddle. You will also provide a credit card; this makes purchasing items easy at the event. Anything you buy will be charged to that card and you will receive a printed receipt the day after the auction (dropped by your home). This statement can be used for tax purposes.

Q: Can I sit with my friends?

Of course! And, you can make new ones, too! You have an option when you RSVP to either include the names of up to four couples you'd like to sit with (tables of 10). You can also choose to meet new people at the event and request to sit with families from your grade (i.e. Kinder families). We have an extended cocktail hour, where you will have a chance to socialize with old and new friends alike!

Q: How do I bid at the silent auction?

When you arrive at the auction and check-in you will receive your bid number and bid paddle. During the silent auction, you will use your bid number as you place your bid on the "bid sheets." You will also use this number to participate in games, etc. After the auction, your credit card will be charged, and you will receive an itemized list of purchases delivered to your home. This statement can be used for tax purposes.

Q: How do I bid at the live auction?

It is as simple as holding up the paddle you receive at check-in and the auctioneer will point your way when he recognizes your bid. There are bid spotters around the room to make sure all bids are recognized. If you are the winning bidder, a bid spotter will come to your table, and record your number. The charge will appear on your credit card statement.

Q: How do I bid with a group of friends?

If you and your friends would like to bid together on a live item, like a party or trip, we split the tab for you, just like at a restaurant! Suppose Jamie raises her paddle and bids \$2,500 for a party that she would like to split with four other couples. As soon as Jamie gets the winning bid, a bid spotter will come to her table. Jamie will give the bid spotter the names of the four other couples. The bid spotter will divide the winning bid of \$2,500 five ways, and each person will be charged \$500 to their credit card. We split the tab for you, making it very simple! Group bidding lets you contribute at a level you can afford, and gives you the opportunity to win something that you will really enjoy.

Q: More questions?

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