



FESTA PRIMAVERA  
2025

SECRET  
GARDEN

*St. Helena  
Montessori School*

*Welcome to*

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# *Festa* PRIMAVERA

We are delighted to welcome you to our special celebration to benefit St. Helena Montessori School. Hosted by our Parents' Guild and executed by a talented group of Committee Chairs and team members, *Festa 2025: "Secret Garden"* promises to be a very special opportunity to celebrate and support our shared vision.

*Festa 2025* builds upon the continuous support of so many members of our extended community. We want this year's event to serve as an opportunity not only for all of us to be together in support of our students, staff, and school, but also to share in the deep appreciation we have for all who have helped us achieve so much. This campus is an endless story of gratitude.

The proceeds from *Festa 2025* will play an integral and essential role in enabling us to continue to offer financial aid, scholarships, and educational materials for all our students, to fund the professional development of our beloved faculty and staff, to maintain our amazing facilities, and to add new ones as well. All funds raised this evening will ensure that the vision and legacy that have enabled us to get where we are today continue to propel us into the future.

Your generosity ensures that children from all parts of the Napa Valley and beyond have the opportunity to experience the unparalleled education offered through authentic Montessori practice. Tonight's event celebrates the outstanding achievements we have attained together in making this school a reality and ensures that this legacy continues for many years to come.

We are so very pleased to have your support in our pursuit of excellence in Montessori education, and we thank you for joining us.

*Elena Heil*

ELENA O. HEIL  
HEAD OF SCHOOL



*Festa Primavera* is the vibrant bloom that supports the growth of our school, nurturing the ongoing operations, and allowing us to cultivate a flourishing financial aid program. This ensures that qualified families in the Napa Valley can continue to experience the beauty of an authentic Montessori education. Additionally, your support helps us tend to the continuous professional development and training of our dedicated faculty and staff, ensuring that they grow and thrive in their roles.

Below are some informative figures that will help our community understand how their generous contributions help to cultivate the growth of our school, creating a garden of opportunity for all, now and into the future.

Nearly **30%** of school  
families receive tuition assistance

More than  
**\$500,000**  
granted in tuition assistance every year

**73%** Percentage of tuition covered by  
average award

**\$86,000** Amount in private grants secured  
annually to assist our families

**\$8,000**  
Amount allocated to staff for professional development through  
conferences, workshops, training, and memberships annually

Total Annual Revenue: **\$4,905,430\***

Total Annual Expenses: **\$5,200,895\***

**22** Years Left on the Mortgage

**\$650,000** Annual Mortgage Payments for College  
Avenue Campus

*\* Certified financials as of July 2023*

EACH YEAR, *Festa* PRIMAVERA BRINGS TOGETHER THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEAR AND FAR, PAST AND PRESENT, IN CELEBRATION AND SUPPORT OF ST. HELENA MONTESSORI SCHOOL.

*Thank you for joining us this evening!*



## *Festa* 2025 TEAM

LIVE AUCTION TEAM: Malek Amrani, Torie Amrani, Regina Bailey, Lauren Blanchard, Cynthia Carey, Hailey Covey, Cameron Crebs, Tara Crosby, Lauren Dickson, Jason Driscoll, Cory Empting, Lisa Empting, Alicia Regusci Hardin, Alexander Heil, Matthew Heil, Ashley Hepworth-Scheinfeld, Ryan Hill, Jordan Koch, Stewart Koch, Kim Labry, Melissa Leonardini, Tony Leonardini, Chris Lynch, Kendall Hoxsey-Onysko, Will Phelps, Dave Phinney, Kim Phinney, Morgaen Pickett, Samantha Rudd, Seana Stephens, and Ted Stonbely

SILENT AUCTION CHAIRS: Malek and Torie Amrani

SILENT AUCTION WINE SPONSOR: The Vice Wine

BUY-A-SPOT CHAIRS: Peggy Dermody and Nico Hu

WINE CHAIR: Ashley Hepworth-Scheinfeld

INSTANT WINE CELLAR CHAIRS: Beth Cook and Allison Fowler Hook

CLASS ART CHAIRS: Cody Avetoom and Amanda Phelps (Primary), Cynthia Carey (Elementary), and Ashley Lamberton (Toddler)

EVENT PLANNING: Tara Crosby and Lindsey Rion

EVENT DESIGN AND DÉCOR: Rion Designs

CATERING: Tre Posti

DESSERTS: La Saison

ACOUSTIC GUITAR: Alec Fuhrman

PRODUCTION TEAM: Napa Valley Media

TERRARIUM DESIGN: The High School Students of SHMS

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CATALOG: Regina Bailey and Erica Neubauer

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Melissa Leonardini

GRATITUDE: The Adolescent Program Students of SHMS

PARENTS' GUILD OFFICERS: Regina Bailey, *President* | Melissa Leonardini, *Vice President* | Tara Crosby, *Secretary* | Sandra Cruz-Wilson, *Treasurer*





# EVENT DETAILS

## *An Enchanted Evening of Giving and Growth*

Step into a beautiful evening as we gather for *Festa Primavera: Secret Garden*. This annual celebration reflects the St. Helena Montessori School community, where the talent, dedication, and generosity of our families and supporters come together to create a memorable experience in support of our beloved school. So many exquisite details of tonight's event – from the wines to the businesses behind the food, décor, and event design – showcase the remarkable talents within our school community, and we are proud to highlight their contributions. And, of course, the exceptional auction offerings in this catalog promise spectacular opportunities and experiences, all made possible by our generous community.

We hope this evening unfolds with the same enchantment and wonder that inspired us to bring it to life. WELCOME TO THE SECRET GARDEN!

5:00  
TO  
7:00 PM

## RECEPTION & SILENT AUCTION ENTRY GALLERY AND COURTYARD

Begin your evening with a welcome cocktail or a glass of sparkling wine. As twilight descends, enjoy the melodies of acoustic guitarist Alec Fuhrman while exploring the outstanding Silent Auction lots. Discover priceless student-created artwork, crafted under the guidance of talented SHMS mothers who are also accomplished artists. You will find excellent wine collections, including a Napa Valley AVA selection, a Mountain AVA collection, special engravable magnums, and a gorgeous custom map of the wineries in Napa Valley. For the ultimate wine enthusiast, the Wine Tasting for a Year lot offers private tastings at hidden gems across the Napa and Russian River Valleys. You will also have the opportunity to bid on an intimate private lunch with Malek and Torie Amrani at The Vice Wine, the generous sponsor of the "Secret Garden" wines you are enjoying this evening. Be sure to bid before the auction closes at 7:00 p.m.!

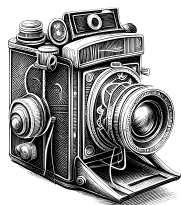
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9:00 PM

## DINNER & LIVE AUCTION THE BARN

Transition into the heart of the garden for a delightful meal by Tre Posti and desserts from La Saison. Fan-favorite auctioneer Randy Parnell returns to lead the Live Auction, featuring spectacular dining experiences, including an elegant dinner at Opus One, a private culinary affair at Michelin-starred PRESS and its new café, Under-Study, and a farm-to-table dinner in a secret Yountville garden. Bid on remarkable wines, including 100-point masterpieces and a magnum collection, plus a stunning handcrafted coffee table designed and built by the students of the SHMS Adolescent Program. Enjoy Buy-A-Spot events at Wing & Barrel, Orin Swift, Promontory, and private residences – perfect for making connections and lasting memories while supporting St. Helena Montessori. There truly is something for everyone, and we hope that all of you will raise your paddles tonight!

*Finally*

As the evening concludes, please remember to visit the Entry Gallery to check out and collect your auction winnings. We are deeply grateful to you for joining us tonight and for your support of St. Helena Montessori!



## CAPTURE THE MAGIC OF THE SECRET GARDEN

We invite all guests to share their favorite moments from *Festa 2025*. Simply scan the QR code to the right to upload your photos and videos to our shared gallery. Your contributions will allow this site to blossom with memories for everyone!



# RULES

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## & REGULATIONS

### SILENT AUCTION

Each item will be on display with bid sheets provided. Please bid in increments indicated on each bid sheet. Under no circumstances should bid sheets be moved from their locations. The Silent Auction will close at 7:00 p.m. In the event of a dispute, the Silent Auction Co-Chairs shall have the final authority to determine the winning bidder or to re-offer the item in the Live Auction. Buy-A-Spot events will have sheets with the number of spaces available. When they are full, the event is closed.

### LIVE AUCTION

The Auctioneer is the agent of the seller and has the right to determine and set bidding minimums and increments of each item. The highest bidder acknowledged by the Auctioneer shall be the purchaser. In the event of a dispute, the Auctioneer shall have the sole and final authority to determine a successful bidder or to re-offer and resell the item. On the fall of the Auctioneer's hammer, title to the item shall pass to the acknowledged bidder.

### CONDITIONS OF SALE FOR SILENT & LIVE AUCTIONS

- Nº 1 Your paddle number is registered in your name. Use it when bidding, and do not allow anyone else to use it.
- Nº 2 Payment must be made in full by cash, check, or credit card to the cashier after the conclusion of bidding on April 5th, 2025 . All sales are final. Items will be released on presentation of paid receipt and should be removed from the school the same evening. If desired, wine purchases can and will be delivered free of charge within Napa County within seven days of the auction. Wine purchases for distributions outside Napa County will be shipped (shipping costs to be paid by the buyer).
- Nº 3 If auction items and services do not list specific dates and times, then arrangements shall be made that are mutually agreeable to donor and buyer.
- Nº 4 St. Helena Montessori and its Parents' Guild warrant neither the quality nor value of items and services auctioned. All items are sold "as is" and "with faults or charms." Values listed are good faith estimates or fair market value.
- Nº 5 St. Helena Montessori and its Parents' Guild are not responsible for typographical errors. We also wonder: Did you really read this?





## YOUR KEY TO LUXURY:

*The Enchanted Key Raffle*

**\$50** PER TICKET

Unlock the magic of the Secret Garden with the purchase of a beautiful vintage key tagged with a unique number for each ticket that you purchase. At the end of the live auction at *Festa* on April 5th, three winning key numbers will be drawn, each corresponding to one of the prizes below:



One key opens a **\$200 gift certificate to Brix Restaurant & Gardens.**



Another key opens the door to a luxurious **one-night stay in a king suite at Bardessono Hotel in Yountville and a romantic dinner for two at Lucy.**



The final key unlocks **dinner for two at The French Laundry.**

Will you have one of the enchanted keys? Purchase a ticket (or several) and find out! **Enchanted keys may be purchased online by scanning the QR code below and picked up at the *Festa* check-in tables. They will also be sold the night of *Festa* through 7:00 p.m.**

*You need not be present to win.* If you are not in attendance at *Festa* and your key number is drawn on April 5th, you will be contacted the week following *Festa* to arrange for pickup of your prize.

SCAN THIS CODE TO PURCHASE YOUR  
ENCHANTED KEYS!



**\$100** PER TICKET



AVAILABLE ONLINE AT  
[STHMS.ORG/FESTA](http://STHMS.ORG/FESTA) OR BY SCANNING  
THE QR CODE TO THE LEFT

Purchase your raffle tickets for the chance to cultivate a collection of 100 exquisite wines (over \$10,000 in value!) generously donated by SHMS families and supporters. Let your cellar blossom with this extraordinary selection, which includes a 2019 Joseph Phelps "Insignia" and a 2008 Philipponnat "Clos des Goisses" Extra Brut Champagne!

*You need not be present to win.* If you are not in attendance when the lucky ticket is drawn on April 5th, you will be contacted the week following *Festa* to arrange for pickup or shipping of your new collection of wines.



# LIVE LOTS

AND

*the secret garden*

BLOOMED AND BLOOMED.

AND EVERY MORNING

*revealed new miracles.*



FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT

*The Secret Garden*



## Red Carpet Premiere Of A New School Year

**R**oll out the red carpet for an unforgettable kickoff to the new school year, surrounded by your SHMS family and a welcoming community of old and new friends! Your family is invited to an exclusive September soirée and cinematic celebration at Roger and Lauren Dickson's stunning St. Helena estate. This event will be the perfect opportunity for our SHMS community to reconnect after the summer and for new families to feel right at home.

Beginning at 3:30 p.m., enjoy carnival games, a rock wall, and plenty of ways for children and parents alike to bond and make new friends. As twilight falls, gather for a gourmet dining experience featuring artisanal wood-fired pizzas and SHMS dad Chris Blanchard's legendary fried chicken, complemented by

classic Southern sides. Then, gather on the lawn for an enchanting open-air movie screening, complete with decadent treats, fine wines, and fancy Champagne.

This is more than just a spectacular event; it's a chance to make a contribution to our beloved school, welcome new friends, and create lasting memories together. So raise your paddles, and don't miss this beautiful evening of community, celebration, and cinematic magic!

**Date:** Saturday, September 27th | **Time:** 3:30-10:00 p.m.

**RAISE YOUR PADDLE WITH A \$1,000 CONTRIBUTION TO SUPPORT THE SCHOOL, AND BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY FOR THIS EVENT!**

**DONATED BY:** Paul and Regina Bailey, Chris and Lauren Blanchard, Roger and Lauren Dickson, Matt and Alicia Hardin, Ryan and Nicole Hill, Ed and Kim Labry, and Greg and Ashley Scheinfeld

## Magnum Opus: A Bespoke Evening At Opus One

**T**he winning bidder and seven guests are invited to experience the rich history of Napa Valley winemaking with an extraordinary journey to Opus One – a legacy founded by Baron Philippe de Rothschild, proprietor of Château Mouton Rothschild, and renowned Napa Valley vintner Robert Mondavi. Set amidst the stunning backdrop of Opus One's manicured vineyards and striking architecture, this exclusive "Art of the Table" dinner experience will be a celebration of exceptional wine, culinary artistry, and timeless camaraderie.

Your evening begins with a private tour of the estate, including a visit to the iconic Grand Chai barrel cellar. You will then be guided to the Partners' Room, where breathtaking vineyard views frame a beautifully curated multi-course meal designed to harmonize with the vintages of Opus One. This experience offers a rare opportunity to collaborate with Opus One Winemaker Michael Silacci and CEO Christopher Lynch, both of whom will personally select signature vintages from the Opus One Library to pair perfectly with seasonal cuisine prepared by Opus One Executive Chef, Sean Koenig. The wines will be tailored to the preferences of the winning bidder and their guests, and each selected vintage will weave a story of Napa Valley's rich winemaking history, ensuring a truly one-of-a-kind experience.

*This event is for a maximum of eight guests. Please contact Opus One directly to schedule the dinner for a mutually agreeable date and time.*

**DONATED BY:** Chris and Brenda Lynch and Opus One





# The Perfect Pour: A Collection of 100-Point Masterpieces

For the true connoisseur, this lot features a carefully curated collection of 100-point wines. These eight masterpieces represent the pinnacle of winemaking—awarded perfect scores by some of the world’s most discerning critics. Each sip tells a story of the confluence of agriculture and artistry that makes for a vintage that has earned its place among the best of the best. Cheers to making your cellar the envy of all!



Featured wines (750 mL) include:



**Ad Vivum Cellars 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, “Sleeping Lady Vineyard”, Yountville**

*“Deep red garnet, with a vermillion edge, the 2021 Ad Vivum is visually stunning. Palpable tension in the entire tasting profile lifts and integrates the dense blackcurrant fruit and ripe, seamless, fine-grained structure. Subtle notes of graphite, espresso, and cedar are woven gracefully into the whole. The finish is long, aromatically complex, and voluptuous.” ~ Jonathan Cristaldi, Decanter*



**Aubert 2023 Chardonnay, “Lauren Estate Vineyard” Sonoma Coast**

*“The 2023 Chardonnay Lauren Estate needs a lot of swirling to bring out evocative scents of Bosc pears, honeydew melon, marzipan, and honeycomb, plus hints of chalk dust and lime blossoms. The medium to full-bodied palate delivers intense, profound orchard fruit and savory layers, supported by beautifully knit acidity and a silken texture, finishing long with a spicy kick.” ~ Lisa Perrotti-Brown, The Wine Independent*



**Cayuse 2018 Syrah, “Bionic Frog”, Walla Walla Valley**

*“The 2018 Syrah Bionic Frog comes from the Coccinelle Vineyard in the Rocks district of Milton-Freewater. This deeper ruby/purple-hued beauty offers a gorgeous bouquet of black raspberries, redcurrants, tapenade, bacon fat, and wood smoke, with a touch of reductive scorched earth and graphite nuances. This carries to a full-bodied Syrah with ultra-fine yet building tannins, a layered, deep, textured mouthfeel, and flawless overall balance.” ~ Jeb Dunnuck*



**Cirq 2021 Pinot Noir, Russian River Valley**

*“This is an awe-inspiring example of Pinot Perfection that simply must be tasted to be believed. Three-dimensional aromas of ripe cherry, bright red berries, and spices. Layers of bright red fruit on the palate and a towering structure that puts this into a category of its own when compared to its peers. The exuberant red fruit is gloriously balanced by firm, age-worthy tannins that bode well for enjoyment now through 2033.” ~ California Wine Advisors*



**Gaja 2000 Langhe-Barbaresco, “Costa Russi”**

*“Fabulous aromas of rose petals and cherries with hints of raspberries. Full-bodied, with ultrafine tannins and an incredible finish. This is so fine and so long. A real beauty that grows and grows on the palate. Great Nebbiolo. Greatest Costa Russi ever, from 34-year-old vines. Best after 2010. 890 cases made.” ~ Wine Spectator*



**Joseph Phelps 1997 Red Wine, “Insignia”, Napa Valley**

*“An inky/plum/purple color is accompanied by a stunning bouquet of violets, charcoal, creme de cassis and a hint of toast. Prodigious when it hits the palate with a full-bodied expansiveness, there is not a hard edge to be found in the 1997, only velvety tannins, compelling depth and fruit intensity, and stunning purity. It is a perfect expression of Napa viticulture and wine that should continue to age effortlessly for two decades or more.” ~ Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate*

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## LIVE LOT 3, CONTINUED



### **SLOAN Estate 2021 Proprietary Red Wine, Rutherford**

*"2021 Proprietary Red is based on 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, and the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot brought up in plenty of new oak. It brings another level of density, purity, and regalness, with awesome blackcurrants, iron, roasted herbs, tobacco, and a Latour-like graphite character all defining the aromatics. Full-bodied, rich, and concentrated, it has a seamless mouthfeel, absolutely incredible tannin, ample mid-palate depth, and flawless overall balance." ~ Jeb Dunnuck*



### **Zeitgeist Cellars 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Sleeping Lady Vineyard", Yountville**

*"A wine that tops out my scale, the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Sleeping Lady is 100% varietal from a great site just outside of Yountville and was brought up in 70% new French oak. It is an incredible wine in every sense, offering incredible purity as well as laser-like precision in its cassis, darker currants, lead pencil, graphite, and crushed stone-driven aromas and flavors. Possessing full-bodied, incredible richness, building tannins, yet integrated acidity and flawless overall balance." ~ Jeb Dunnuck*

**DONATED BY:** Anonymous Donors, Aubert Wines, Bill and Andrea Phelps, Chris Phelps, Josh Phelps, Greg and Ashley Scheinfeld, SLOAN Estate, and Zeitgeist Cellars



## Dinner in the Secret Garden: An Enchanted Evening at Jacobsen Orchards

**E**xperience a magical evening at the renowned Jacobsen Orchards in Yountville. For over 40 years, Peter and Gwen Jacobsen have cultivated this extraordinary orchard, establishing themselves as pioneers among Napa Valley's original culinary farmers. For over 25 years, their impeccable produce has graced the tables of Michelin-starred restaurants, including Thomas Keller's The French Laundry, Chef Philip Tessier's PRESS in St. Helena, and other acclaimed establishments.

Peter Jacobsen will personally guide the winning bidder and nine guests through his remarkable orchard, home to over 120 varieties of fruit trees and 25 different culinary flowers, along with an array of other edible delights. As he describes it, this is "the biggest little orchard most people will ever see." This exclusive experience offers a rare, behind-the-scenes glimpse into the world of a farmer whose passion and dedication have shaped Napa's culinary landscape.

As the sun dips behind the Vaca Mountains and Stag's Leap glows red in the evening light, partake in the "Red Mountain Toast" – a tribute to the day's end. Sip on expertly crafted barrel-aged rye whiskey Manhattans, perfectly paired with artisanal appetizers. As twilight deepens, gather around a beautiful *al fresco* dining table for a family-style feast prepared by Chef Sarah Heller showcasing the freshest seasonal bounty from the orchard. Chef Heller is a celebrated Napa Valley chef known for her innovative approach to cuisine. She honed her craft at some of the region's most esteemed restaurants, including the three-Michelin-starred The Restaurant at Meadowood and The Thomas Keller Restaurant Group.

You will conclude this magical evening under a starlit sky, savoring estate-made Nocino by the rammed-earth firepit and reflecting on a night filled with extraordinary flavors, warm hospitality, and the timeless beauty of Yountville's secret garden.

*The dinner must be scheduled for a mutually agreeable date with the Jacobsens and Chef Heller between the months of July and October.*

**DONATED BY:** Paul and Regina Bailey, Hill Family Estate, Ryan and Nicole Hill, and Peter and Gwen Jacobsen



## A River Runs Through It: A Handcrafted Coffee Table by the SHMS Adolescent Program Students

**C**onstructed with care, creativity, and precision, this one-of-a-kind coffee table is a collaboration between Adolescent Program shop teachers Dave Massaro and Bryce Paulson and the talented middle and high school students. Crafted with wood sourced from a magnificent 300-year-old Napa Valley Heritage oak tree, the table showcases a live edge on both sides to preserve its natural beauty. In the center of the table runs an epoxy “river” delicately embedded with natural elements sourced from our campus. Backlighting in the epoxy casts a warm

glow that highlights the intricate details embedded within – feathers, honeycomb, and sea glass amidst a series of handpicked stones from the Napa River. Supporting this extraordinary piece is a custom-made metal base designed and crafted by the students.

Measuring approximately 5 feet by 3 feet, this piece is both functional and a true work of art – connecting the essence of the school’s landscape with the craftsmanship and creativity that is the hallmark of the Adolescent Program.

*Please note that this table is intended for indoor use only.*

**DONATED BY:** Ron and Martha Doornink, Dave Massaro, Bryce Paulson, and the SHMS Adolescent Program Students

## Golf and Good Times at Eagle Vines: A Gentlemen’s Golf Tournament

**G**rab your clubs and join the ultimate day of fun and fairways with SHMS’ finest gentlemen! Start your day with an 8:15 AM shotgun start at the lush fairways of Eagle Vines Golf Club. After the last putt drops, kick back with a hearty lunch featuring wines from Cliff Lede, Hill Family Estate, HUNNICUTT, Tench, Matthew Wallace, and FEL. Everything is included, so all you need to bring is your A-game and a big appetite. The grand finale? A lively awards ceremony celebrating the day’s best and funniest moments. When it comes to golf and good times, this is a hole-in-one!

**Date:** Thursday, May 29th

**Time:** 8:15 AM (Shotgun Start)

**Price:** \$500 per player (40 gentlemen maximum)

**DONATED BY:** Cliff Lede Vineyards, Jason and Hilary Driscoll, FEL Wines, Hill Family Estate, Matthew Wallace Wines, Will and Amanda Phelps, Justin and Seana Stephens, and Tench Vineyards





## Uncork Your Creativity: A Custom Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon Experience

**E**mbark on a winemaking journey like no other! This exclusive lot offers you the opportunity to create 25 cases of your own custom 2024 Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, blending artistry and flavor under the expert guidance of renowned winemaker Keith Emerson. Emerson is celebrated for his mastery of both Bordeaux and Burgundian varieties and is the trusted winemaker for SHMS parents Ed and Kim Labry's private label. His impressive career includes producing exceptional wines from Napa, Sonoma, Oregon, and Santa Cruz. As Director of Winemaking at Napa's Vineyard 29, Emerson has overseen acclaimed labels such as

Knighton Family, Vinoce, Sang-Froid, Labry, and his own venture, Emerson Brown Wines.

Your experience begins with a private blending session, where you'll collaborate with Emerson to create a wine that perfectly reflects your personal palate. During this session, you will also enjoy a tasting and lunch with Emerson at Vineyard 29. Once your vintage has aged to perfection, it will be bottled, corked, and adorned with a custom label designed just for you. Please note that this exceptional 2024 vintage will be ready for bottling in June of 2026, and every sip will be worth the wait. Whether you serve it at your next dinner party or gift it to family and friends, this exclusive, personalized Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon will be a testament to your passion for extraordinary wine.

**DONATED BY:** Keith Emerson, Ed and Kim Labry, and Vineyard 29

## Stop and Smell the *Rosés*

**C**elebrate the simple joys in life with two magnums of Schramsberg Brut Rosé, generously donated by alumni parents Hugh and Monique Davies. One (or both!) bottles will be poured tableside for you to enjoy with your guests! The winning bidder will also take home three cases of PROMISE Wine 2021 Rosé of Pinot Noir "The Joy", provided by alumni parents Steve and Jen McPherson, along with a stunning arrangement of roses.

**DONATED BY:** Hugh and Monique Davies, Steve and Jen McPherson, PROMISE Wine, and Schramsberg Vineyards



**E**verything IN THE *garden* blooms IN ITS OWN time.



WHERE

*you tend a*

ROSE,

*a thistle cannot grow.*



FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT

*The Secret Garden*



## Cocktails & Caftans: A “Slim Aarons” Poolside Party

**S**tep into the world of Slim Aarons and experience the iconic elegance of a Palm Springs 1970s-themed poolside soiree! Hosted by SHMS parents Stewart and Jordan Koch and Chris and Tara Crosby at the Koch’s home in downtown St. Helena, this luxurious party will transport you back to an era of effortless glamour and chic desert vibes.

Sip on fabulous cocktails, indulge in decadent caviar, try your hand at bocce and croquet, and groove to some retro beats as you bask in the retro-luxe atmosphere. Guests are invited to dress the part – think breezy caftans, tailored resort wear, oversized sunglasses, and all the vintage glamour of a Slim Aarons photoshoot.

Whether lounging poolside or dancing under the sun, this party promises an afternoon of fun, fashion, and timeless sophistication. Don’t miss your chance to be part of this exclusive celebration!

**Date:** Saturday, May 17th, 2025

**Time:** 4:00-8:00 p.m.

**Price:** \$250 per person (60 adults maximum)

**DONATED BY:** Chris and Tara Crosby and Stewart and Jordan Koch





# A Garden Party to Remember: A Farm-to-Table Culinary Journey for Twelve

**E**xperience a memorable farm-to-table evening crafted with care and creativity by St. Helena Montessori School's Adolescent Program Chef, Bobby Vigoda, and a team of talented Adolescent Program students. This bespoke dining experience for you and eleven guests begins weeks in advance as you take a guided walkthrough of the SHMS gardens to select your favorite fresh, seasonal ingredients. Together with Chef Vigoda and the students, you'll design a four-course menu and customize each element – from handcrafted cocktails to a decadent dessert.

On the night of your dinner, your evening will begin with bubbles, cocktails, and delicious *hors d'oeuvres* enjoyed amidst the beauty of the SHMS garden. As you and your guests sit down to dine, you'll savor each thoughtfully prepared course, which will be presented by the students themselves, and they will share their inspiration and preparation process behind each dish.

This special evening concludes with a personal tour of the SHMS farm gardens, allowing you and your guests to view the vibrant setting that made this dinner possible.

*The dinner must be coordinated for a mutually agreeable date and time with Chef Vigoda. It is recommended that the buyer schedule this event between June and September.*

**DONATED BY:** Chef Bobby Vigoda, the SHMS Adolescent Program Students, and the SHMS Parents' Guild



## Masterpiece in the Making: A Family Art Experience with Cynthia Carey

**S**pend a day with your family and Cynthia Carey – acclaimed artist, Wish Gallery owner, Jessup Cellars Gallery curator, and SHMS mom – whose work is showcased in myriad public spaces and private collections throughout the world. Choose the style, colors, and size of your treasured artwork, and Cynthia will provide all the necessary supplies. Then you and your family will work together to create a bespoke masterpiece! Don't worry if you do not consider yourself to be artistic; Cynthia will assist at every level of this process to complete your cherished project – including installation on the wall of your choice. You will be pleasantly surprised by your own talents as well! Every family member will participate in the joys of creating this artwork, and the result will be a coveted family heirloom.

*Contact Cynthia Carey to arrange for a mutually agreeable date and time. Valid through April of 2026.*

**DONATED BY:** Cynthia Carey



## Mag-nificence

**L**ine your cellar with these extraordinary magnums of winemaking magic from St. Helena Montessori School families and friends:

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| ✿ Black Sears 2019 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon                             | ✿ Herb Lamb 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Herb Lamb Vineyard"          | ✿ 2003 Neal Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon, "Wykoff Vineyard" |
| ✿ Brown Estate 2022 Zinfandel  | ✿ HUNNICUTT 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Brinkman Block"              | ✿ Matthew Wallace Wines 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon                    |
| ✿ Caymus Vineyards 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Special Selection"          | ✿ Joseph Phelps 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon                            | ✿ Philipponnat 2008 Champagne Extra Brut, "Clos des Goisses"       |
| ✿ Caymus Vineyards 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Special Selection"          | ✿ Kelly Fleming 2015 Red Wine, "Big Pour"                          | ✿ PROMISE Wine 2021 Red Blend, "The Gratitude"                     |
| ✿ Chappellet Winery 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon, Pritchard Hill              | ✿ Labry Wines 2021 Pinot Noir, Russian River Valley                | ✿ Regusci Winery 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon                           |
| ✿ Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe 2012 Chateauneuf-du-Pape                   | ✿ Marineau Mills 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon                           | ✿ RIV 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap                          |
| ✿ D. R. Stephens Estate 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Moose Valley Vineyard" | ✿ 2003 Neal Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon, "One Lane Bridge" | ✿ Spring Mountain Vineyard 2007 Red Wine, "Elivette"               |
| ✿ Hayfork Wine Co. 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Lewelling Ranch"            | ✿ 2003 Neal Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon, "Chafen Vineyard" | ✿ T-Vine 2021 Zinfandel, "Frediani Vineyard"                       |

**DONATED BY:** Anonymous Donors, David and Andi Brown, Caymus Vineyards, Carolina Centola, Chappellet Winery, D.R. Stephens Estate, Matt and Alicia Hardin, HUNNICUTT, Christopher and Ashley Jambois, Sebastien and Emily Marineau, Matthew Wallace Wines, Neal Family Vineyards, Alexandra Phelps, PROMISE Wine, Regusci Winery, Spring Mountain Vineyard, Haley Wight Dodd, and T-Vine



# Shoot Happens

**F**ifteen couples will enjoy the day together at Wing & Barrel Ranch, a private shooting and outdoor lifestyle club located in the heart of Sonoma Wine Country. After morning coffee, head out to the beautifully-curated 25-acre Vintner Shooting Grounds – complete with 15 fully automated shooting stations, each containing three shooting positions displaying over 90 different target presentations. Hone your accuracy while engaging in good-natured competition with your spouse or best friend, and the winner with the highest score will receive a special gift!

Afterwards, retire to the clubhouse for a family-style lunch prepared by the Wing & Barrel chefs and paired with wines from the Ghost Block Estate library.

*Please note that this lot includes the following: Clay shooting course amenities (ammunition, targets, shotgun rental, vehicle rental, and instruction from club instructors), lunch, and wines. All guests will need to bring their own ear and eye protection.*

**Date:** Saturday, May 31st

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Price:** \$1,000 per couple (15 couples maximum)

**Donated by:** Ghost Block Wines, Jeff and Kendall Onysko, and Jake and Morgaen Pickett



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*garden is a grand teacher.*

IT TEACHES PATIENCE AND  
CAREFUL WATCHFULNESS;

AND IT TEACHES INDUSTRY AND THRIFT;

*above all, it teaches entire trust.*



GERTRUDE JEKYL



# Planting the Seeds of Our Future: The St. Helena Montessori School Endowment

“Whoever touches the life of the child touches the most sensitive point of a whole, which has roots in the most distant past and climbs toward the infinite future.” *Dr. Maria Montessori*

**T**onight’s Fund-A-Need is dedicated to cultivating the growth and sustainability of St. Helena Montessori through a revitalized Endowment. This fund will serve as a safeguard to nurture and protect everything that we have built together over the years, as it supports the people, programs, and campus that make our school and community so extraordinary. The Endowment supports the maintenance and operating costs for this beautiful place, and it furthers our school’s mission of providing an excellent Montessori education through expanding programs for students, investing in new structures, and providing professional development opportunities for our beloved faculty and staff. Your contribution tonight will help our school to flourish and thrive. Let’s all come together this evening to be great stewards of this beautiful, innovative institution — ensuring that it has a place in the pantheon of educational excellence for generations to come.

## GIVING LEVELS

<b>\$50,000</b> Garden	<b>\$5,000</b> Bud	<b>\$500</b> Sprout
<b>\$25,000</b> Flower	<b>\$2,500</b> Vine	<b>\$250</b> Roots
<b>\$10,000</b> Blossom	<b>\$1,000</b> Stem	<b>\$100</b> Seed

## Beyond the Edge: An Exclusive Journey into the Heart of Promontory

**D**uring the early 1980s while hiking along Oakville’s southwestern ridge, H. William Harlan discovered an isolated territory. The hidden expanse – ancient and untamed – moved him deeply but remained elusive until the Harlan family finally captured it in 2008. As the second generation explored and worked with the land, they began to make discoveries of their own. At the core of this wild terrain they found a powerful geologic convergence that had shaped its steep, rugged topography and created the conditions for an altogether exotic winegrowing environment. Over time, they found that the dramatic landscape – just beyond the edge of the known – would slowly change them and ultimately inspire a new endeavor: Promontory.

On May 22nd, eight couples (sixteen guests total) will receive an intimate introduction to the philosophy and vision for the Harlan family’s latest winegrowing endeavor, Promontory. Following a walkthrough of the winery’s production spaces, including a tasting of wines currently aging in cask, enjoy an exclusive dinner accompanied by a selection of Promontory wines and hosted by Director of Winegrowing and SHMS father, Cory Empting.

**Date:** Thursday, May 22nd, 2025  
**Price:** \$2,500 per couple (8 couples maximum)

**DONATED BY:** The Harlan Family





## Courtside, Diamond-Side, and Collegiate Pride: A Bay Area Sports Extravaganza

**G**et ready for three spectacular Bay Area sports experiences! Cheer on the Golden State Warriors as they take on the LA Clippers on April 13th, 2025, with two incredible center court seats just three rows off the floor at Chase Center. Your tickets come with exclusive Chase Club access, where you'll enjoy complimentary food and drinks for a true VIP experience.

The excitement continues at Oracle Park, where SHMS dad, alumnus, and sports enthusiast, Matthew Heil, will host you and three guests at a 2025 Giants home game. With Field Club seats just five rows behind home plate, in-seat food and beverage service, and a great chance of making it on TV, this will be an epic day at the ballpark!

To round out this incredible package, enjoy two fantastic seats just seven rows from the visitor's bench at a University of California-Berkeley (Cal) Basketball home game. A parking pass is included to make your experience even smoother.

From the ballpark to the hardwood, this package is a grand slam for any sports fan!

**Donated by:** Matthew and Jenny Heil, Jud and Athina Kroplin, and Jack and Kate Oliver

## Riverfront Serenity: Escape to Storm Mountain Ranch

**Y**our friends at Woodside Elementary invite you to a stunning getaway at Storm Mountain Ranch in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Nestled on 70 pristine acres of breathtaking wilderness, this luxurious estate offers a blend of tranquility, adventure, and natural beauty. Your group of up to ten adults will enjoy four nights and five days in a gorgeous home designed for relaxation and exploration. The property boasts five spacious bedrooms and seven luxurious baths, making it the perfect retreat for family or friends.

Located on a fly-fishing mecca, this idyllic home (one of only 14 on the 1,063-acre ranch) features a river running through the front yard, offering a picturesque backdrop and countless opportunities for outdoor fun. Whether you prefer the invigorating activities of summer or the cozy delights of winter, there's something for everyone to enjoy! In the summer, you can bike into town and explore Steamboat's charming streets, go ziplining, white-water rafting, tubing down the river, and saddle up for horseback riding or relax in the region's famous hot springs. In the winter, you're just seven minutes from the slopes, where you can enjoy spectacular skiing and snowboarding before unwinding with cozy evenings by the fire.

Whether you're sipping your morning coffee on the porch as the river glistens in the sunlight or unwinding after an adventurous day out in nature, the memories you create here will be as beautiful as the setting itself.

*This getaway is for up to ten guests, and all must be adults. Must be scheduled for a mutually agreeable date and time. Blackout dates apply.*

**DONATED BY:** Rachael and Larry Bowman of Woodside School





## PRESS Play on Gourmet

**E**xperience a splendid culinary journey at Michelin-starred PRESS Restaurant, renowned for its exquisite local cuisine, legendary wine list, and unmatched hospitality! The winning bidder of this exclusive lot will enjoy the Chef's Tasting Menu for eight guests, personally curated by Chef/Partner Philip Tessier and Vintner and SHMS mom, Samantha Rudd. This extraordinary meal will be perfectly paired with wines selected by Samantha Rudd, featuring selections from Rudd Estate and their private family cellar.

In addition, the winner will receive four tickets to the highly anticipated 6th Annual Napaulée at PRESS in November, the restaurant's festive end-of-harvest celebration. This one-of-a-kind event mirrors the famed Burgundian *La Paulée* tradition, with an open walk-about format featuring decadent bites, extraordinary cocktails, and a selection of stellar Napa Valley wines.

As a special bonus, the winning bidder will be among the first to experience Under-Study, PRESS's beautiful new café opening in 2025. Enjoy an exclusive lunch for four from this innovative new venue, which will feature a modern patisserie, dry-aged meats from Flannery Beef and Snake River Farms, locally sourced seafood, and charcuterie by Tony Incontro, all curated by Chef Tessier and the PRESS team.

This extraordinary lot offers a rare opportunity to savor some of Napa Valley's finest wines and cuisine in these coveted and iconic settings!

*Reservation must be made on a mutually agreeable date and expires on April 5th, 2026. Dinner at PRESS does not include tax and gratuity.*

**DONATED BY:** PRESS Restaurant, Rudd Estate, Samantha Rudd, and Under-Study



## Class In Session: An Adult Back-to-School Night at Orin Swift

**G**et ready to turn up the vibe and raise a glass to the start of a new school year! On September 5th, join us at the legendary Orin Swift Cellars in St. Helena for an epic night of food, wine, and dancing that you won't want to miss. Enjoy OSC's signature wines, fantastic small bites, and DJ Vitamix spinning an awesome playlist to get you out of your seat and onto the dance floor. Don't miss your chance to party with the cool kids!

**Date:** Friday, September 5th in the evening

**Price:** \$200 per person (50 guests maximum)

**DONATED BY:** Chris and Lauren Blanchard, Tony and Melissa Leonardini, Orin Swift Cellars, and Dave and Kim Phinney



# SILENT LOTS

EVERYTHING IS MADE OUT OF

## MAGIC

*leaves and trees,*



*flowers and birds*



*badgers and foxes and squirrels*



AND

## PEOPLE

*So it must be all around us.*



FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT

*The Secret Garden*





## Painted Flower Pots: Tiny Hands, Big Creativity

### TODDLER CLASS ART

Created with love by the toddlers of St. Helena Montessori, these six charming painted flower pots bring a touch of whimsy to your garden or home. Each terracotta pot showcases unique patterns – from playful polka dots to abstract brushstrokes – reflecting the creativity and individuality of St. Helena Montessori's youngest artists. Finished with a protective clear coat for durability, each pot comes with a vibrant succulent, making it a delightful and

practical addition to any space. These one-of-a-kind treasures will add a burst of personality to your décor and will fill your home with both the charm and the spirit of St. Helena Montessori!

**DONATED BY:** Many helping toddler hands under the direction of Ashley Lamberton and Micaela Belmonte

## Many Blossoms, One Garden

### PRIMARY CLASS ART

“We shall walk together on this path of life, for all things are part of the universe and are connected with each other to form one whole unity.”

*Dr. Maria Montessori*

TO EDUCATE THE HUMAN POTENTIAL

These beautifully crafted pressed flower works of art were lovingly created by the Primary children of St. Helena Montessori. Each child meticulously placed a bloom with tremendous care, and together, these flowers form a stunning composition that reflects both individuality and the strength of the classroom community. A timeless keepsake, this piece is a meaningful reminder of growth, creativity, and unity through connectedness.

N<sup>o</sup> 2 Primary 1 (Mrs. LaFuente)

N<sup>o</sup> 3 Primary 2 (Mrs. Belmonte)

**DONATED BY:** Many helping hands under the direction of Cody Avetoom and Amanda Phelps



# Imagination In Bloom

## ELEMENTARY CLASS ART

Under the direction of artist and SHMS mother, Cynthia Carey, the Elementary students have once again prepared these stunningly eclectic art pieces. Each class presents a masterpiece that is a kaleidoscope of color and personality, as all of the children have created their own pieces of artwork within the master work. The students have poured their individuality into crafting wood panels using mixed medium techniques, during which time they learned about color, contrast, and dimension. In connection with the Montessori philosophy, these pieces have been joined together in harmony, thereby honoring the child's individual expression and the classroom community as a whole. The artwork will be displayed the evening of *Festa*, and the students associated with each piece will be clearly marked.



N<sup>o</sup> 4 Elementary 1 Project (Mrs. Christian)

N<sup>o</sup> 5 Elementary 2 Project (Mrs. Carattini)

N<sup>o</sup> 6 Elementary 3 Project (Mrs. Lloyd)

**DONATED BY:** Many helping hands under the direction of SHMS mom, artist, and art curator, Cynthia Carey



## All the King's Horses: Riding and Horsemanship Lessons with Erin King

This package for one student includes one trail ride at Bothe Napa Valley State Park and two lessons at All The King's Horses Ranch with SHMS mom and ATKH owner, Erin King.

*Must be scheduled for mutually agreeable dates and times.*

**DONATED BY:** Erin King

**E**ven THE *tiniest* garden IS AN ACT OF hope.



## Go with the Flow

Enjoy this one-month unlimited membership to Flow Napa Valley Yoga Studio in Calistoga, which is owned and operated by SHMS mom Amber Leary. The winning bidder will also take home a branded yoga mat, water bottle, tote, and branded yoga clothing.

**DONATED BY:** Flow Napa Valley Yoga Studio and Amber Leary

## Train with an Olympian: Private Clinic with Joe Maloy

Train like a champion with Olympian and World Champion Joe Maloy! The winning bidder will enjoy an exclusive private clinic and personalized swim, bike, or run session with Joe—a 2016 U.S. Olympic Triathlon Team Member. Whether you're an athlete or a fan, this extraordinary experience offers expert coaching and inspiration!

*Must be scheduled for a mutually agreeable date and time.*

**DONATED BY:** Joe Maloy



## Napa Valley Wine Train Afternoon Tea x Chandon Experience for Four Guests

A spot of tea, a splash of bubbles, and a vibrant floral interior characterize this grand ride brought to you in partnership by the Napa Valley Wine Train and CHANDON. Prepare for a journey that spares no luxury and leaves no detail unchecked. Modern sophistication blends with old-world charm as passengers are whisked away to a bygone era of train travel with this Afternoon Tea experience.

This package includes a three-hour train ride through Napa Valley; an immersive journey aboard a fully restored 1915 Pullman railcar; a CHANDON Garden Spritz cocktail upon arrival; a selection of fine steeped teas and classic accompaniments; signature mini desserts; and a digital boarding photo keepsake.

*There is no cash redemption value for the gift certificate. Excludes holidays and special events. Subject to availability. Expires April 2026.*

**DONATED BY:** Nathan Davis and the Napa Valley Wine Train



# Date Night for a Year

Enjoy a romantic evening each month for a year with these twelve gift certificates to a variety of restaurants across the Napa Valley, along with twelve bottles of wine!



## Featured restaurants include:

- ✿ Angèle Restaurant & Bar (\$200)
- ✿ Bistro Don Giovanni (\$150)
- ✿ Brasswood Bar + Kitchen (\$100)
- ✿ Brix Restaurant + Gardens (\$100)
- ✿ Charlie's Napa Valley (\$200)
- ✿ The Charter Oak Restaurant (\$200)
- ✿ Cook (\$100)
- ✿ Farmstead (\$150)
- ✿ Market (\$100)
- ✿ Mustards Grill (\$250)
- ✿ R&D Kitchen (\$150)
- ✿ Ristorante Allegria (\$75)

This luxurious offering also features a case of wine (750 mL bottles) and includes the following:

- ✿ Amizetta Estate 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Reserve"
- ✿ Aonair Wines 2022 Grenache Blend
- ✿ Artesa 2021 Chardonnay, "Los Carneros"
- ✿ Azur Wines 2022 Rosé
- ✿ COLLATERAL 2022 Pinot Noir, "Silver Eagle Vineyard"
- ✿ Joseph Cellars 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon
- ✿ Paula Kornell 2020 Sparkling Wine, Blanc de Noirs
- ✿ Phifer Pavitt 2021 Sparkling Wine, Blanc de Noirs, "Date Night"
- ✿ PROMISE Wine 2021 Rosé of Pinot Noir, "The Joy"
- ✿ Reverie II Vineyards and Winery 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon
- ✿ The Vice 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon, "The House"
- ✿ Vineyard 29 2021 Sauvignon Blanc, "Cru"

**DONATED BY:** Angèle Restaurant & Bar, Anonymous Donors, Malek and Torie Amrani, Charlie's Napa Valley, The Charter Oak Restaurant, Farmstead Restaurant, Napa Valley Wine Excursions, PROMISE Wine, and Justin and Seana Stephens





## Lunch with The Vice: A Culinary and Wine Adventure in Napa for Four Guests

Enjoy this extraordinary private lunch at The Vice Wine with proprietors and sponsors of this evening's "Secret Garden" wines, Malek and Torie Amrani. The lunch will be prepared by Chef Aaron LeRoi, and your meal will be paired with The Vice's exceptional Napa Valley wines. Transportation for your group to and from the lunch will be provided by Napa Valley Wine Excursions.

*The lunch must be arranged for a mutually agreeable date and time. Pick-up and drop-off with NVWE must be within Napa County.*

**DONATED BY:** Malek and Torie Amrani, Chef Aaron LeRoi, Napa Valley Wine Excursions, and The Vice Wine

## Cheers to a Year of Exclusive Tours and Tastings in Wine Country



Indulge in a year-long journey through Wine Country with twelve intimate experiences at some of the most renowned wineries in the Napa and Russian River Valleys. From private tastings and biodynamic tours to barrel samples and estate visits, you'll enjoy stellar wines paired with stunning views, delicious bites, and behind-the-scenes access. Each experience is designed for two to six guests, making this the perfect opportunity to share the joy of wine with friends or family. This is a wine lover's dream! *Please note that all of these experiences require advance reservations and are subject to availability.*

This package features the following:

### **1. DAVERO FARMS WINE AND OLIVE OIL EXPERIENCE FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Experience a casual *al fresco* tasting of biodynamically-grown estate and partner grower wines, paired with olive oil and nibbles, in the beautiful garden at DaVero Farms and Winery! You will also sample a selection of Italian varietals alongside the estate-produced olive oils. Your visit includes a self-guided tour of the biodynamic pollinator garden and edible garden, along with a visit to the farm's famous pigs!

*Expires September 1st, 2025*

### **2. COPAIN WINES FOOD AND WINE PAIRING AND WINERY TOUR:**

Copain Wines invites you to its hilltop winery overlooking the beautiful Russian River Valley, affording breathtaking views of the surrounding hills and vineyards. You'll enjoy their acclaimed cool climate Pinot Noir, Syrah, and Chardonnay wines.

*Valid through December 2025*

### **3. ARISTA WINERY SIGNATURE TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Arista Winery's Signature tasting showcases the variety in their Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays and provides the adventurous taster with a rich understanding of the estate's site-driven winemaking philosophy. From the rolling hills and alluvial beds of the Russian River Valley to the rugged mountaintops over the fog on the Mendocino Ridge, Arista's wines reflect the terroir, climate, and weather that leave indelible impressions on their wines. Enjoy this special wine tasting experience with a locally sourced charcuterie and cheeseboard!

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#### **4. THE VICE ESTATE EXPERIENCE AND BARREL TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Discover a hidden gem nestled in the heart of Napa Valley and experience a unique wine and barrel tasting guided by The Vice Founder and Winemaker, Malek Amrani. You'll discover exclusive and highly rated single vineyard wines that showcase the distinct flavors and characters of Napa Valley. Your estate experience will be on Meadowood Lane on the hillside at the foothills of Howell Mountain. You'll enjoy this experience in a tranquil atmosphere with a private waterfall and stunning views of St. Helena, Spring Mountain, and Diamond Mountain.

#### **5. SCHRAMSBERG VINEYARDS CAVE TOUR AND ALL SPARKLING EXPERIENCE FOR TWO GUESTS:**

Schramsberg's legacy began in the 19th century when German immigrant Jacob Schram founded his winery on Diamond Mountain. A century later, Jack and Jamie Davies restored the estate in 1965, setting out to craft America's most prestigious sparkling wine. Their dedication to innovation earned Schramsberg worldwide acclaim. Beyond its winemaking excellence, Schramsberg has played a role in history; its Blanc de Blancs was used for President Nixon's 1972 "Toast to Peace" with China, and its wines have been served at every U.S. State function since. Experience this signature Cave Tour and All Sparkling Wine experience for two guests, where you will explore the traditional *méthode champenoise* process before enjoying a tasting of their extraordinary sparkling wines.

#### **6. HUNNICUTT TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

HUNNICUTT Winery—located on the northern edge of the St. Helena AVA in Napa Valley and owned and operated by SHMS parents Justin and Seana Stephens—offers a personalized and intimate wine tasting experience. You will taste through a selection of current release wines in the modern yet rustic tasting room, adorned with vintage skis and a road bike, reflecting the proprietors' adventurous spirit!

#### **7. PELISSA VINEYARD TOUR AND TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS AT GHOST BLOCK WINES IN OAKVILLE:**

Named in honor of Andrew and Babe Pelissa, the Pelissa Vineyard is nestled behind the Napa Wine Company in Oakville. Spanning 55 acres, it is a significant contributor to the Napa Wine Company wine portfolio. These meticulously cared-for vines, including 27-year-old Zinfandel, yield intense colors and flavors. Additionally, nearly 70% of the vineyard is dedicated to Cabernet Sauvignon, complemented by Montepulciano, Malbec, and Cabernet Franc. Enjoy this tour and tasting for four guests on this beautiful property!

#### **8. PROMISE TOUR AND TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Enjoy a tour and wine tasting experience for four guests at PROMISE—a beautiful, private 100-acre ranch on Pritchard Hill owned and operated by SHMS alumni parents Steve and Jen McPherson. Tour the family's organic fruit and vegetable garden, and meet their heritage Mangalitsa and Iberian pigs—all of which are part of PROMISE PROVISIONS, their farm-to-table endeavor. Then relax in a gorgeous cottage with breathtaking views, and indulge in their portfolio of extraordinary wines from Napa and Sonoma Valleys.

#### **9. CLIFF LEDE VINEYARDS BACKSTAGE TOUR AND TASTING FOR TWO GUESTS:**

The Cliff Lede Vineyards Backstage Tasting includes a flight of several rare and critically acclaimed wines in an exclusive lounge that features art and memorabilia from famous rockstars. Enjoy this experience for two guests!

#### **10. BROWN ESTATE PRIVATE TASTING:**

Brown Estate Vineyards, established in 1996, is Napa Valley's first Black-owned estate winery, renowned for its exceptional Zinfandel and commitment to sustainable viticulture. You will enjoy a private tasting for four guests hosted by proprietors and SHMS parents David and Andi Brown at their Chiles Valley estate (which is not open to the public). This exclusive experience will offer an intimate glimpse into the family's rich history and winemaking philosophy, and it provides a rare opportunity to connect personally with the proprietors and explore the vineyards where the journey of their celebrated wines began.

#### **11. TRUCHARD VINEYARDS TOUR AND TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Enjoy a visit for four guests at Truchard Vineyards, where you will tour the property's beautiful vines, explore expansive caves, and enjoy delicious estate-grown wines along the way!

#### **12. CHAPPELLET WINERY PRITCHARD HILL ATV EXPERIENCE AND TOUR AND TASTING FOR FOUR GUESTS:**

Explore the far reaches of the Chappellet's famed family-run estate on an ATV with a two-hour guided tour and tasting on Pritchard Hill. After your adventure experiencing the idyllic beauty of these vineyards and their mountain home, you will enjoy an outdoor wine tasting paired with artisan cheeses. *This experience is weather permitting and available seasonally from April through October.*

**DONATED BY:** Arista Winery, David and Andi Brown, Copain Wines, Chappellet Winery, Cliff Lede Vineyards and Winery, DaVero Farms and Winery, Ghost Block Estate Wines, Napa Valley Wine Excursions, PROMISE Wine, Justin and Seana Stephens, Truchard Vineyards, and The Vice





## Style with Purpose: A \$500 Gift Certificate and Exclusive Veronica Beard Shopping Experience

Elevate your wardrobe and support our beloved school with this incredible offering from the chic and luxurious Veronica Beard boutique on Adams Street in St. Helena. Enjoy a \$500 gift certificate to indulge in timeless, stylish pieces and host an exclusive private shopping experience for you and your friends. During your event, guests will receive 10% off their purchases, and to make the evening even more meaningful, 10% of the proceeds will be donated to St. Helena Montessori School. This is your chance to look fabulous, refresh your wardrobe, and contribute to our school community. What could be more stylish or rewarding?

*Must be arranged for a mutually agreeable date and time. Expires September 1st, 2025.*

**DONATED BY:** Veronica Beard

## From the Fire to the Frame

This handcrafted 24"x40" flag is made from out-of-service fire hose and features a torched wood frame and stars for a striking, rustic look. Napa artisans Ryan and Katie Chagonjian began crafting these beautiful flags as a hobby – gifting them to local fire stations and retiring firefighters. Their passion project evolved into a thriving business, and they now design custom flags for clients across the United States. One even hangs in the White House!

**DONATED BY:** Ryan and Katie Chagonjian



## Born to Age: 2019 Vintage Magnums Etched for a Milestone Moment



Tuck away a gem for your little one's 21st birthday or beyond! These stunning and extremely age-worthy red wines from Napa Valley's 2019 vintage await your child's name and birthdate for etching.

**N<sup>o</sup> 16 A** JOSEPH PHELPS 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, "BACKUS VINEYARD", OAKVILLE

**N<sup>o</sup> 16 B** QUINTESSA 2019 RED WINE

*Winning bidders should contact Ashley Hepworth-Scheinfeld with their child's name and birthdate for engraving on the magnum. Ashley will coordinate delivery of the completed bottles.*

**DONATED BY:** Bill and Andrea Phelps, Nick and Ashley Withers, and Quintessa

# Born to Age: 2021 Vintage Magnums Etched for a Milestone Moment



Tuck away a gem for your little one's 21st birthday or beyond! These stunning and extremely age-worthy red wines from Napa Valley's 2021 vintage await your child's name and birthdate for etching.

**N<sup>o</sup> 17 A** AMULET ESTATE 2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, GEORGES III VINEYARD

**N<sup>o</sup> 17 B** GHOST BLOCK WINES 2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON




*Winning bidders should contact Ashley Hepworth-Scheinfeld with their child's name and birthdate for engraving on the magnum. Ashley will coordinate delivery of the completed bottles.*

**DONATED BY:** Anonymous Donor and Ghost Block Estate

# Mountain Majesty: A Neal Family Vineyards Magnum Trio



Take home this collection of three magnums of Neal Family Vineyards Single Vineyard 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon – a true expression of Napa Valley's mountain terroir. Neal Family Vineyards, known for its commitment to organic farming and meticulous winemaking, showcases age-worthy wines from some of the region's most esteemed vineyard sites. This lot features three distinct vineyard expressions:

-  **Fifteen-Forty:** Sourced from a prized estate vineyard, offering deep complexity, layered spice, and velvety richness
-  **Howell Mountain:** A bold, structured Cabernet with intense dark fruit and signature mountain tannins
-  **Second Chance:** A beautifully balanced wine with lush red and black fruit, refined elegance, and a lingering finish

**DONATED BY:** Neal Family Vineyards

**A**ll THE *flowers* OF tomorrow ARE IN  
THE *seeds* OF today.  
*Traditional Proverb*







# Napa Valley Uncorked: A Collection of Bottles from Each Napa Valley AVA

Embark on a journey through Napa Valley with this extraordinary collection featuring one bottle of wine from each of the 17 Napa Valley American Viticultural Areas: Atlas Peak, Calistoga, Chiles Valley, Coombsville, Crystal Springs, Diamond Mountain District, Howell Mountain, Los Carneros, Mount Veeder, Oak Knoll, Oakville, Rutherford, St. Helena, Spring Mountain District, Stags Leap District, Wild Horse Valley, and Yountville. A Pritchard Hill wine is also included.

From the bold, structured reds of Stags Leap District to the elegant, fruit-forward wines of Rutherford and beyond, this curated selection celebrates the terroir and craftsmanship that make Napa Valley such an extraordinary wine region. Perfect for collectors and wine lovers alike, this lot offers a rare opportunity to explore the full diversity of Napa in every sip.

The 750 mL wines featured in this collection are as follows:

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| ✿ 001 Vintners 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Ecotone Vineyard", Crystal Springs AVA          | ✿ Enfield Wine Co. 2020 Pinot Noir, "Heron Lake Vineyard", Wild Horse Valley AVA  |
| ✿ Alluvium Estate 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Gnome", Coombsville AVA                      | ✿ Gargiulo Vineyards 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon, "G Major Seven Study", Oakville AVA |
| ✿ BRION 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Sleeping Lady Vineyard", Yountville AVA                | ✿ HUNNICUTT 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "FS 81", Rutherford AVA                      |
| ✿ Brown Estate 2022 Zinfandel, Chiles Valley AVA   | ✿ HUNNICUTT 2022 Zinfandel, "Luvisi Vineyard" Calistoga AVA                       |
| ✿ Chappellet Winery 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley                                 | ✿ Joseph Cellars 2019 Cabernet Franc, Diamond Mountain AVA                        |
| ✿ Cimarossa 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Riva di Ponente", Howell Mountain AVA              | ✿ Peacock Vineyards 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Spring Mountain AVA                  |
| ✿ Cliff Lede 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Rhythm", Stags Leap District                      | ✿ Progeny Winery 2018 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Mount Veeder AVA                |
| ✿ D. R. Stephens Estate 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Moose Valley Vineyard", St. Helena AVA | ✿ The Vice 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, "Closer to God", Atlas Peak AVA               |
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Experience the height of Napa Valley winemaking with this collection featuring one bottle of wine from each of Napa's prestigious mountain AVAs (Howell Mountain, Diamond Mountain, Spring Mountain, Mt. Veeder, and Atlas Peak), in addition to Pritchard Hill. From the rugged slopes of Howell Mountain to the volcanic soils of Mt. Veeder, each bottle showcases the bold flavors, complexity, and character that only high-elevation vineyards can produce. Ideal for both wine enthusiasts and collectors, this collection celebrates the terroir and craftsmanship of Napa's iconic mountain wines.

The 750 mL wines featured in this collection are as follows:

- ✿ Andrew Geoffrey Vineyards 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon, Diamond Mountain
- ✿ Chappellet Winery 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon, Pritchard Hill
- ✿ COLLATERAL 2022 Grenache, "Paras Vineyard," Mt. Veeder
- ✿ Elan 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Atlas Peak
- ✿ Spence Vineyards 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon, Howell Mountain
- ✿ Spring Mountain Vineyard 2018 Red Wine, "Elivette", Spring Mountain

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## The Napa Valley Wine Atlas: A Custom Winery Map

Take home this stunning 30" x 60" vertical canvas map of the wineries in the Napa Valley in a handcrafted sycamore frame. Tom Jarman's map is considered to be the most comprehensive collection ever produced of the over 850 wineries in the Napa Valley. An exquisite piece of art and wonderful conversation piece, it is the perfect addition to any Wine Country home or business!

*This map may be shipped, but the buyer will be responsible for the shipping cost.*

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AT FIRST PEOPLE REFUSE TO BELIEVE

*that a strange new thing can be done,*

THEN THEY **BEGIN TO HOPE** IT CAN BE DONE

THEN THEY SEE IT  
CAN BE DONE —

*then it is done and all the world wonders why*

IT WAS NOT DONE CENTURIES AGO.



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## Love You to the Moon and Back: A Daddy-Daughter Dance to Remember

MONDAY, MARCH 24TH FROM 5:00-8:00 P.M. ✨  
\$100 PER DAUGHTER (LIMITED TO 200 GUESTS TOTAL)

**DONATED BY:** St. Helena Montessori School Parents' Guild

## Mommy and Me Yoga

SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH FROM 10:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. ✨  
\$75 PER MOM (LIMITED TO 15 MOMS AND THEIR CHILDREN)

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## Children's Herb Walk and Outdoor Exploration with Herbalist Charlotte Powell

FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH FROM 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. (PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS  
THE NO-SCHOOL DAY BEFORE *FESTA*)  
\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 12 CHILDREN AGES 7 AND ABOVE)

**DONATED BY:** Charlotte Powell and Giugni's Deli

## Cham-Paint!

FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH FROM 6:30-8:30 P.M. ✨  
\$75 PER PERSON (LIMITED TO 20 LADIES)

**DONATED BY:** Nimbus Arts





## Friday *Fiesta* Fun Night with the Elementary 2 Teachers

FRIDAY, MAY 2ND FROM 5:00-8:00 P.M. ✨

\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 30 SHMS ELEMENTARY CHILDREN)

**DONATED BY:** The Elementary 2 Teachers

## Sip and Savor: Ladies Night at ACME Fine Wines

THURSDAY, MAY 8TH FROM 6:00-8:00 P.M. ✨

\$150 PER PERSON (LIMITED TO 30 LADIES)

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## Children's Afternoon Tea and Etiquette Class with Mrs. White at the Koch Residence

FRIDAY, MAY 9TH FROM 3:30-5:30 P.M.

\$100 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO EIGHT YOUNG LADIES AND GENTLEMEN  
AGES 5-7)

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## *Fiesta* Time with the Primary 1 Staff!

MONDAY, JUNE 9TH FROM 11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. ✨

\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 12 SHMS PRIMARY CHILDREN)

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## Primary 2 Teddy Bear Tea

MONDAY, JUNE 9TH FROM 2:00-4:00 P.M.

\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 15 SHMS PRIMARY CHILDREN)

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## Lights, Laughter, Action! A Cafeteria Kids Theater-Improv Workshop

AUGUST 18TH FROM 9:00-11:00 A.M. (DURING TEACHER WORK WEEK OVER THE SUMMER BREAK) ✨

PRICE: \$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 25 CHILDREN AGES 7 AND OLDER. CHILDREN MUST BE AT LEAST 7 YEARS OLD TO ENROLL!)

**DONATED BY:** Cafeteria Kids Theater and Olivia Cowell

## Annual AP Harvest Dinner

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH BEGINNING AT 5:30 P.M. ✨

\$150 PER PERSON (LIMITED TO 120 ADULTS)

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## Fall Fun at the Regusci Pumpkin Patch

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17TH AT 4:00 P.M.

\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 25 CHILDREN. NO DROPOFFS, PLEASE)

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# Bowling and Treats with Mrs. Lloyd

MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DATE TO BE ARRANGED WITH MRS. LLOYD  
\$200 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO FOUR SHMS ELEMENTARY CHILDREN)

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# Mindful Movers: A Children's Yoga Adventure at Flow Napa Valley

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AND AMBER LEARY

\$75 PER CHILD (LIMITED TO 10 CHILDREN AGES 4-11)

**DONATED BY:** Flow Napa Valley, Amber Leary, and Maria Castellucci Moore

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IF YOU

*look the right way,*

YOU CAN SEE THAT .

THE WHOLE WORLD

*is a garden.*



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