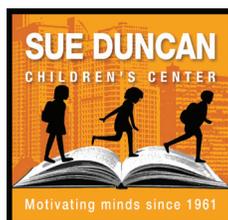


SUE DUNCAN CHILDREN'S CENTER

# fall fête

CELEBRATION & FUNDRAISER



## 2017 LIVE AUCTION CATALOG

This exciting Live Auction will be held at the 2017 Fall Fête fundraiser on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at The Drake Hotel in Chicago.

Tickets to this event can be purchased by visiting the Sue Duncan Children's Center website at [www.sueduncanchildrenscenter.org](http://www.sueduncanchildrenscenter.org)

All proceeds benefit the children and families of the Sue Duncan Children's Center.

### 1 Lunch Date with Arne Duncan

Link up with 2 friends for the ultimate power lunch with Arne Duncan, former U.S. Secretary of Education and CEO of Chicago Public Schools. Ask him anything! Learn about his time in the Whitehouse, how he feels about the current state of education, and the work he's doing in Chicago now. The lunch will take place at a local restaurant of your choice on a mutually agreed upon date in 2018.

## 2 Wine Lovers Paradise

Before Napa and Sonoma, there was San Benito. Grab a group of four and fly first class from Chicago to San Jose, CA. Once your plane lands you'll be met by a chauffeur who will drive you to the beautiful Eden Rift Winery. You will stay 2 nights in the Winery Guest Lodge and enjoy a tour and tasting with Christian Pillsbury, owner and wine maker. Saturday, you will be treated to dinner at the winery or a nearby high-end restaurant. Sunday, you will return to Chicago in first class with signed bottles of Eden Rift's first ever vintage (2017) and memories that will last a lifetime. We will also provide assistance if party wishes to visit other wineries in this "New Napa" region. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

## 3 "Good Times" Cruise for 25 Along Beautiful Lake Michigan

Your group of 25 will fall in love with Chicago all over again with a fully catered cruise along Lake Michigan. Enjoy an enchanting afternoon or evening with friends aboard "Good Times", one of Chicago's largest premium motor yachts. Sail along Chicago's glorious shoreline, take in the sights, and enjoy food and drinks catered to your preferences. Excellent way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

## 4 Luxury Modern Villa Escape for 10 people in Costa Rica

Escape for a week with your 10 closest friends or family to a private and luxurious villa in the beautiful Guanacaste Province of Costa Rica. Set in the gated community of Hermosa Heights, this exquisite villa (recently featured on HGTV House Hunters International) is nestled near the top of a mountain, offering breath-taking panoramic views of Playa Hermosa's nearby beach and surrounding tropical canopy.

The 6500 sq. ft main villa features 3 king bedrooms, and a 4th bedroom with the flexibility of a king bed that splits into two twins if preferred. Each airconditioned bedroom has its own private en-suite bathroom, and the master bathroom contains a 4-person infra-red sauna. The villa also features a detached apartment with an additional queen bedroom and en-suite

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bathroom. The apartment comes complete with its own private balcony with scenic views, full-size kitchen and lounge area with 40"HD Smart TV.

Indoor features include a chef 's kitchen, great room with entertainment system and an in-house gym for fitness enthusiasts. Outdoor amenities include a large covered terrace with fire pit, 30 ft salt mineral infinity pool with swim up bar, outdoor shower, an elevated sun deck with loungers, and full outdoor kitchen with built-in gas grill.

Best yet, your home for the week comes with a personal chef who will create wonderful meals to suit your taste. You will never want to leave the villa. Guanacaste's Playa Hermosa offers one of the best maintained beaches in the country, snatching up the prestigious "Blue Flag" award (An award that is given to beaches for exceeding standards in environmental safety, and management policies). The beach itself is over two kilometers long and is rarely crowded; a perfect getaway for couples and families.

But Playa Hermosa is more than just crystal blue waters on a relaxed beach cove. For those individuals looking for adventure, Playa Hermosa is conveniently placed for such outdoor activities. Tourist companies are dotted in and around the area, offering various rentals such as kayaks, canoes, catamarans, windsurfing, jet skis, and water bikes. Other activities such as fishing trips, snorkeling and diving safaris are also on offer and a great way to experience the local aquatic fauna & flora. For land adventures, there are guided horseback tours in the surrounding area as well as numerous day trips to explore Costa Rica's wildlife and majestic vistas.

Included:

- 7 days/7 nights exclusive use of villa for 10 people
- Exclusive use of all available villa amenities and resources (WiFi, 80' inch LED)
- Smart TV, Theater sound-bar, Blu-Ray / DVD Player, Xbox One with Kinect, etc.
- Chef service for 6 days (cost of food + gratuity extra)
- Concierge for pre-arrival assistance and planning during entire stay
- One private group yoga session

*Restrictions:*

*Enjoy your week stay in the villa year-round, with the only black out period being the weeks of Christmas and New Year. Bookings are handled on a first come, first served basis - subject to availability at the time of booking. Valid for 1 year from date of purchase.*

## 5 Private Gourmet Dinner Party

Get together a group of friends and head to a luxury home in the Lincoln Park neighborhood for a customized tasting menu prepared by board member John Haarlow with wines and cocktails curated by board member Jason Wortendyke! Start with house made gin & tonics on the terrace before retiring to candlelit dinner after a trip to the wine cellar and inspection of Chef Haarlow's latest cooking techniques. Chef Haarlow is willing to work to prepare a menu to suit any taste - from sous vide leg of lamb to veggie frittata, and host Jason will provide the appropriate bar and include some wines you cannot buy today - legendary reds and whites from Napa, Bordeaux and Burgundy. Expect the unexpected - the last time this was on offer, a 12-course of dishes highlighting Bacon as a critical ingredient (including Bacon Old Fashioneds as a nightcap) and a 12 Liter of California's Viader winery first vintage were brought to the table. Dates to be mutually agreed upon.

## 6 Tuscany, Italian home for 10 with a Private Chef! "Vacation in a renaissance painting..."

Your group of 10 will enjoy privacy, serenity and spectacular views in a 16th century home immersed in an oasis of natural beauty. This is the perfect experience for families and friends, a romantic getaway, and an ideal retreat.

For one week, you will enjoy the surrounding countryside which offers stunning valley and mountain views, many walking trails, an exquisite pool, and hundreds of miles of country roads for bicycling or touring by car. Here you will get a taste of the traditions and customs, while enjoying breathtaking views over Cortona's mountains and valley, in the utmost of privacy.

You will live like Etruscan Royalty, as you will have a private cook for the entire week prepare your breakfast each morning and spectacular dinners every evening featuring amazing dishes and the food is included! Each time you sit at the table will become a memorable experience in itself! Here you will taste the real flavors of Tuscany's traditional food. On one of your days, we have even arranged for a cooking class, with your cook. This class is not only about executing recipes, but you will discover the authentic traditional Tuscan cooking the way that it was in the past, when families were self-sufficient thanks to their own farms.

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Complete your adventure with a private wine tour in the charming countryside of Cortona where you will learn the secrets behind some of the world's finest wines. Afterward, you will have the exclusive opportunity to join the vineyards' owner for lunch at his private home.

Once here, you will not want to leave!

*Restrictions:*

*\*Travel must be booked within one month of the Auction and must be completed by November 16, 2018. Booking is based on availability; the week must be reserved within one month of the auction and the months of July and August are not available for booking. The offer is good for one year from time of purchase. There is no refund for unattended or guest-canceled services. This is for a Saturday – Saturday stay.*

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