

*The Friends of
16th Street Heights Parks
Cocktail Party and Auction*



*to benefit
Upshur and Hamilton Parks*

**The Intown Uptown Inn
Saturday, September 19, 2009**

Silent Auction 6:30 – 8:30pm

Live Auction starts at 8:30pm

Who We Are

The Friends of 16th Street Heights Parks is an all-volunteer non-profit organization committed to creating a strong community through our parks and play spaces. We work with the DC Department of Parks and Recreation to revitalize Hamilton and Upshur Parks, both located in the 16th Street Heights neighborhood in NW, DC. We are comprised of parents, community members, business leaders and interested neighbors.

Our Mission

Our mission is to assist the DC Department of Parks and Recreation with the preservation and maintenance of Hamilton and Upshur Parks by creating “green spaces” for recreation. We focus on Friends of the Parks-sponsored yearly events, maintenance and design of the parks, playground equipment, fields, and general improvements.

Our Goals

The Friends of 16th Street Heights Parks seeks to improve Hamilton and Upshur Parks in ways that will benefit the entire community. Our ideas for Upshur Park include resurfacing of the basketball courts, new picnic tables and more shade trees, creation of a dog park, and installation of a new playground to include a tot-lot. Our ideas for Hamilton Park include new picnic tables and seating, a reconfiguration of the play spaces, installation of a new tot garden, addition of a spray park, and field renovation.



Live Auction Items

One Week Stay at a Cottage in Ireland donated by Peggy Pacy: This tiny stone two-bedroom cottage originally built in the mid 1800's is nestled in West Cork valley on the spectacular Sheeps Head Peninsula. Less than one mile to the sea, the cottage is surrounded by rolling fields, grazing horses, sheep and cows. With excellent hiking trails, several nearby golf courses, and great stargazing, this is possibly the quietest corner of Ireland. Two miles from the village of Durrus, five miles to the Town of Bantry. One hour from Cork Airport, three hours from Shannon Airport.

One Week Stay at a Farmhouse in France donated by Victor Tanner: Charming 120 year-old farmhouse in the Calvados region of Normandy. Located two hours west of Paris, this two-bedroom, book-filled house overlooks a charming rural valley and opens onto three acres of Norman farmland. The historical small port of Honfleur is a mere seven minutes drive from the house. The resort town of Deauville, known for its sweeping beaches, fancy restaurants, casino, and film festival, is twenty minutes away. With two-and-a-half baths, a modern kitchen and rustic living room, complete with a farmhouse fireplace, the house sleeps four to six comfortably.

"Bella's Autumn," Painting by Isabel Manalo (\$1,900 value)

This piece is from Isabel Manalo's current exhibition, "Once, Upon", Paintings and Works on Paper, showing from September 12–October 17, 2009 at Addison/Ripley Fine Art. "Bella's Autumn" is part of a collection of new paintings where innocence and danger reside in a verdant and timeless place. It is a place where her two daughters exist and even seem to belong to – as in a garden or sanctuary. At the same moment, it is a place where they can be vulnerable in the lushness of their surroundings.

"Study No. 32 (I Like Cezanne)," 2009, open edition (\$1,100 value)

Pigment ink on polyethylene mounted on aluminum

This piece is from Franz Jantzen's latest series of digital image constructions that represent multiple views of association-laden subjects. The subject of this piece is Cezanne's "The Bend In The Road," c. 1900–1906, at the National Gallery of Art in DC.

Special Appeal

Make a donation to help the Friends of 16th Street Heights Parks

We are looking to raise money for two very specific projects, one at Hamilton Park and one at Upshur Park. We will be holding a pledge drive for an Upshur Pool Shade Structure during our live auction. As part of our silent auction, we are asking for pledges to support the construction of a tot garden at Hamilton Park.

Please look for photos and information about the two special appeal items below:

- Purchase a Shade Structure for Upshur Pool
- Construct a tot garden at Hamilton Park

Silent Auction Items

Good Eats!

\$25 gift certificate to **Ben's Chili Bowl** or **Ben's Next Door**

\$40 gift certificate to **Moroni & Brother's Restaurant** • Petworth Pizza Shop

\$50 gift certificate to **Clyde's**, an American Bar

\$50 gift certificate to **Fusion Restaurant & Bar**
Modern Indian and American Flavors • Petworth

\$50 gift certificate to **Red Derby**, Neighborhood Bar • Columbia Heights

\$50 gift certificate to **Pete's Apizza**, New Haven Style Pizza • Columbia Heights

\$60 gift certificate to **Rumberos Restaurant** • Columbia Heights

\$100 gift certificate to **CommonWealth Gastropub** • Columbia Heights

\$100 gift certificate for Hand-Made Desserts from **SugaChef Desserts, LLC**

Kona coffee and reusable coffee sleeve (\$40 value)

Qualia Coffee • Locally Owned and Roasted in Petworth

Two Sets of **Three Jars of Homemade Jam** made by Natalie Cooper-Berthe (\$30 value/set)

Three Jars of Homemade Soups made by Natalie Cooper-Berthe (\$30 value)

Route 11 Chips • Locally Handcrafted Chip & Dip Kit (\$50 value)

Gift certificate for two **Home-Delivered Meals** from **Your Urban Kitchen** (\$65 value)

Cooking Demonstration with Author and Food Historian **Chef Amy Riolo** (\$500 value)
Italian and Mediterranean Specialities

A Taste of Italy • Dinner for eight includes lasagna (meat/vegetarian), salad, bread, pie, and two bottles of wine delivered to your door by the Nwanze Family (Priceless)

The Cake-a-Month Club • A homemade cake each month for six months made by Brenda Oliver (Priceless)

I Feel Pretty! Oh, So Pretty!

Express Silk Peel with Digital Skin Analysis at **Radiance Med Spa DC** (\$250 value)

Haircut & Highlight or Color with Rebecca Haehnle, owner of **Parlour Salon** (\$210 value)

Basket of **Neiman Marcus Beauty Products**, including a deluxe skincare package with Darphin and La Prairie products, and a \$25 gift card (\$250 value)

Two \$25 gift certificates to **Graceful Elegance**, Full Figured Couture
Westfield Montgomery Mall, Bethesda MD

Three **private yoga lessons** with Beth Lawrence (\$195 value)

One month participation in **C.O.R.E. Boot Camp** at Carter Barron or Turkey Thicket
(\$160 value) LOTUS Fitness Personal Training, LLC

Two Month Membership to **CURVES** (\$70 value)

Three Month Membership to **Washington Sports Club • Columbia Heights** (\$210 value)

Two 30-minute Residential Home Personal Training Sessions (\$55 value/session) **Fit2Be**

Omegawave Fitness Testing, customized fitness monitoring to help you achieve your
fitness goals (\$198 value per test) **Xtreme Acceleration**

The Finer Things

Two Half-Hour **Introductory Voice Lessons** with Soprano, Kate Vetter Cain (\$70 value)

Custom **Hand-Knit Garment** by Power Knitter, Neela Banerjee (\$70 value)

Silpada Quartz, Feldspar and Sterling Silver Necklace & Earrings set (\$133 value)
Michele Thiec, Independent Silpada Representative

Iolite and Sterling Silver Necklace & Earrings by Designer Cassandra McKee (\$75 value)

A morning **in the Studio with Michel Martin**, host of "Tell Me More" on NPR (Priceless)

"The Threads of Time, The Fabric of History, 38 profiles of Afro-American Designers
from 1850 to the Present," signed by Author **Rosemary E. Reed Miller** (\$25 value)

Three sets of two tickets to **GALA Hispanic Theatre's** 2009–2010 season (\$80 value/set)

Two passes to **The Studio Theatre** production of Moonlight by Harold Pinter showing
September 9–October 18 (\$80 value)

Two tickets to any single Mainstage performance during **Woolly Mammoth Theatre
Company's** 2009–2010 season (\$100 value)

Home & Family

Two \$25 gift certificates toward purchase of \$25 or more at **Georgetown Birdcage** furniture store

Two \$50 gift certificates towards labor for any handyman work
Imari Design and Construction, Inc.

Drapes from Marcia Morrow (\$200 value)

\$200 gift certificate for **Allen Custom Frame & Biscarr Fine Art**

Two to Three hour **Design Consultation with Gene Delgado**, Gene Delgado Interiors (\$500 value)

Three hours of **Electrical Service** from Greg Addison, licensed electrician (\$250 value)

Home Energy Audit with Frank Cooper-Berthe, Certified Energy Auditor (\$250 value)

\$25 gift certificate to **Duo's Drycleaners** • 16th Street Heights

Day Passes for **Little Rascals Doggie Day Care** (Two 10-day-packs) (\$280 value per pack)

One **Grooming Session & Pooch Gift Basket** for your favorite pet (value \$110–\$145)
Pooches, Kitties & Kisses Mobile Grooming Salon

Acrylic Pet Portrait by Artist Cynthia Lee Quinn (\$500 value)

\$275 gift certificate to **City Paws Animal Hospital**

Family/Child Portrait Sitting in the Park, including one 8 x 10 retouched enlargement (\$280 value) • Imagine Photography

Five Hours of **Financial Planning** with Jeffrey Wheeler, CRPC (\$500 value)
ING Financial Advisers

Psychotherapy Session with Meredith Gardner, LPC, PLLC (\$150–\$175 value)

SAT Assessment including full testing and analysis of student's SAT strengths and weaknesses (\$150 value)

New Baby Basket, including blanket, wash cloths, baby wash and Handmade Baby Wrap by Leigh Verbois (\$80 value)

Fun For Young & Old

Weekend Guided Tour of the **National Zoo** for ten (\$50 value)

Admission for four to **Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum** (\$80 value)

\$100 gift certificate to **Silver Stars Gymnastics** • Silver Spring, MD

Ten Dance Class Pass at **Capitol Movement Project** (\$120 value) • 16th Street Heights

Two gift certificates for Ballet, Hip Hop, African, Tap or Jazz Dance Class at **The Dance Institute of Washington** for Fall 2009 semester for ages 6–19 (\$280 value for ballet class; \$225 value for other classes)

One **Single Registration** with **Stoddert Soccer** (\$70 value) and three soccer balls (#3, #4 & #5 soccer ball) (\$75 value)

One **Family Registration** with **Stoddert Soccer** (\$165 value) and three soccer balls (#3, #4 & #5 soccer ball) (\$75 value)

One week of 2010 **Summer Camp** at **Home Run Baseball Camp** for boys and girls ages 4–12 • Camp located at Friendship Playground (aka Turtle Park) (\$250 value)

Four tickets to October 17th **DC United Game** • DC United vs Columbus Crew (\$160 value)

Two tickets to a **Washington Capitals Game** (\$170 value)

Two hours of **pool for four players**, plus two appetizers and two rounds of drinks at **Buffalo Billiards** (\$100 value)

Scrapbooking Party for four adults with Alison Appel, demonstrator for Stampin' Up! (\$50 value)

Card-making Party for four adults with Alison Appel, demonstrator for Stampin' Up! (\$50 value)

Five **Babysitting Sessions** courtesy of the 16th Street Heights Babysitting Co-op (Priceless)

Luxury Accommodations for One Night Stay at **Hotel Palomar** (\$200 value)

A Luxurious Night at **The Intown Uptown Inn** (\$200 value)

Golf Outing with Council Member Muriel Bowser (\$150 value)

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a success, and to all of the individuals and businesses that donated items to our silent
and live auction.

Thanks to you, our community, for using
our parks and for helping us to improve them for all!



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