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BURLINGTON FINE ARTS LEAGUE

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FEATURED ARTIST: FRITZ GOECKNER



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The winning Burlington Fine Arts League GALA raffle ticket could be your ticket to amazing experiences in New York City. You choose the itinerary,* but your trip could look like this:

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Saturday, November 19
Pzazz Event Center, 3001 Winegard Drive, Burlington, Iowa

- ◆ Silent auction starts at 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Live auction starts at 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ Live music throughout the evening by Surprisingly Hip.
- ◆ Complimentary hors d'oeuvres all evening. Cash bar available.
- ◆ GALA admission tickets available from any BFAL member and at many area businesses. Individual tickets \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door. *Estimated value of goods and services ticket holder will receive at GALA is \$30.*
- ◆ A limited number of reserved tables, each seating eight people, available for an additional \$100 per table.
- ◆ More info at www.burlingtonfineartsleague.com.

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THE BURLINGTON FINE ARTS LEAGUE

The

Burlington Fine Arts League is organized to support and promote the arts in Des Moines County. We provide financial support through scholarships to individuals and through contributions to arts projects of local organizations.

It is the expressed mission of BFAL members to insure the arts for the future of our community through our personal involvement with and our financial support of area arts-related organizations as well as to engender the preservation of the arts and their history.

Our

major fundraiser is the annual GALA — the Grand Auction for the Living Arts. An elegant evening that initiates the holiday season with flair, the event is focused on our silent and live auctions. Those who attend in their finery have the opportunity to bid on items and packages that might include trips, condo vacations, parties, decorating, landscaping, boat trips, exceptional art work, jewelry, and much more. It is an evening for being with friends, old and new. Bidding and winning, wining and dining combine to provide a fun-filled, festive evening.

Money raised at GALA is donated back to the community. Approximately forty percent is given as college scholarships to arts students from Des Moines County; fifty percent goes to local organizations, events, and schools for major arts projects; and ten percent is allocated to organizations for smaller, special-request projects. In 2010, BFAL raised just under \$50,000 at GALA.

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The Burlington Fine Arts League takes great pride in investing in our community's efforts to maintain and expand the arts.

MAJOR AND SPECIAL PROJECT RECIPIENTS

Art Guild of Burlington: Support for art classes and equipment, Meet the Masters program.

Bel Canto Chorale: Support for community performances.

Burlington Area Arts Council: Event promotion.

Burlington Area Community YMCA-YWCA: Crafts class.

Burlington Civic Music: Performance support.

Burlington Community High School: Equipment for orchestral and choir performance, theater production, visiting visual artist.

Burlington Notre Dame Catholic Schools: Art equipment.

Burlington Public Library: Enhancements to print and digital collection, summer reading program.

Des Moines County Historical Society: Art conservation.

Great Artists Publishing: Publication support.

Hope Haven Area Development Center: Artabilities project.

North Hill Elementary School: Support for visiting children's theater troupe.

Society of Great River Poets: Publication support.

Southeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour: Event promotion.

Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra: Support for performance targeted to children.

Southeastern Community College: Support for cataloging art collection, musical production, creative writing and literature club.

Sunnyside Elementary School: Visiting visual artist.

West Burlington Independent School District: Support for visual arts equipment, equipment for music instruction and performance, dance team.

INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

BFAL scholarships assist Des Moines County students with arts-related study at the college level.

Corwin Brown, Paulina Coursey*, Zachary Champion, Dylan Diewold, Morgan Griffin, Tyler Hackenmiller*, Lauren Hayes, Bethany Hexom*, Trevor Howard*, Victoria Jacobsen, Alisha Orth, Savanna Quam, Jennifer Rich*, Autumn Rosario, Meghan Ryan*, Brady Schach, Julie Seibert.

**New scholarship recipient in 2011.*

ACTIVE MEMBERS

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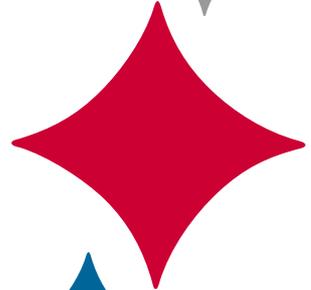
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An asterisk () indicates the associate member made a donation of a live or silent auction item or made a monetary donation in support of GALA 2011.*

Any member of the Burlington Fine Arts League who has been an active and contributing member in good standing for at least five years may request a change to associate member status.

In addition to their organizational activities, each active BFAL member made a donation of a live or silent auction item or made a monetary donation in support of GALA 2011.



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The Burlington Fine Arts League very gratefully acknowledges these donors, who made major financial contributions towards the success of GALA 2011.

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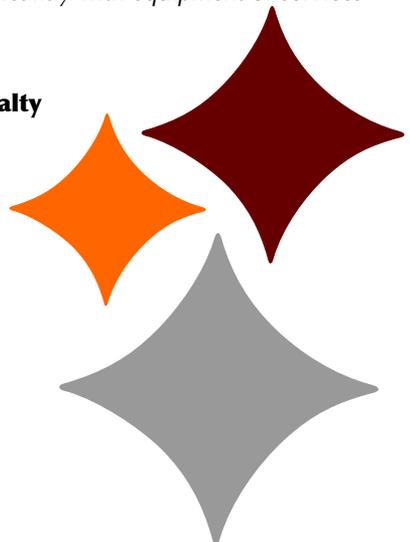
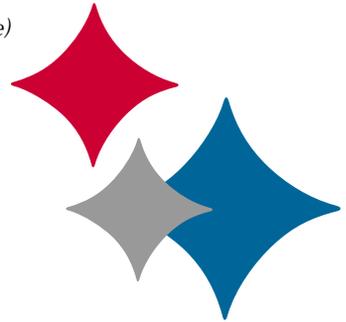
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Auction Guidelines

Our silent and live auctions are “center stage” at GALA.

- ◆ The silent auction — along with the cocktail hour — begins at 6:00 p.m., with staggered closings shortly before the end of the live auction.
- ◆ The live auction begins at 7:30 p.m. Bidders for the live auction should get an auction number from the auctioneer table before the live auction begins.
- ◆ We ask that you pay for your purchases as soon as possible after the close of the live auction. Payments in cash or by check are preferred. We also accept payment with Visa or Mastercard. Payment is to be made at the auctioneer table where you received your auction number.
- ◆ We strongly suggest that you remove your purchases, including certificates, as soon as possible after the auction. The Burlington Fine Arts League is not responsible for damage or loss of any items not removed by the end of the evening.
- ◆ All sales are final! No substitutions or exchanges are allowed, except as authorized by the donor. Also be aware that auction items described in this brochure may be subject to change by the donor prior to GALA.
- ◆ Note that some auction items are to be used on a specific date. Others may be used during a range of dates, to be negotiated with the donor.
- ◆ Where dimensions for items are mentioned, the convention of noting first height, then width has been followed.

Surprisingly Hip

Entertainment for GALA 2011 is provided by Surprisingly Hip, a trio consisting of two core members — **Julia Andrews** on piano and vocals and, on bass, **Brian Daw** — plus drummer **Justin Mooney**. Based across the river in Monmouth, Illinois, this versatile group regularly performs throughout the Midwest, playing jazz standards, blues, Latin styles, and rock tunes.



THE SUPPLICANT (SELF PORTRAIT), 2004



This year's featured GALA artist is Fritz Goeckner. His photomontage *Illinois Rte 26* is live auction lot 11.

Fritz Goeckner

“Set up the tripod, point the camera in one direction, and wait for a car to come by. Then swing the camera just enough so sections will overlap. Wait for another car to come by...

That's how GALA featured artist Fritz Goeckner describes getting the shots that comprise *Illinois Rte 26*. Composed of a number of discrete photographs, the final framed and matted piece is a photomontage measuring nearly five feet in width.

NUCLEAR PHYSICS

Before he became a serious photographer, Fritz was a serious nuclear physicist. His graduate study at the University of Wisconsin culminated in a 1991 doctoral dissertation on proton-deuteron radiative capture, and subsequent to that, Fritz did three years of post-doctoral work at Ohio University in Athens.

Since he began his photography career in the mid-1990s, Fritz's work has been exhibited in numerous solo and group exhibitions throughout the Midwest.

One of the most consistently striking elements in his work is the quality of his color palette. In 1995, he began using a technical process he calls “free color,” exposing the colors left in an image after black and white layers are removed — whether the subject is a landscape, portrait, or still life.

Fritz and his spouse, Tracy Bell, a physician and New London native, have lived in Burlington since 1994. The couple have three children: Bennet, a recent Washington University graduate; Cleo, a sophomore at Knox College; and Peter, a junior at Burlington Community High School.



ILLINOIS RTE 26 (DETAIL)

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**LIVE LOT 11****ILLINOIS RTE 26**

From the series *"Occupied Roads and Desolated Homes."*

The photos that comprise *Illinois Rte 26* were taken in the summer of 2010 and are part of a series Fritz continues to work on, *"Occupied Roads and Desolated Homes."*

Fritz says he searches for highways and houses "close enough to home to drive to, places where there's not much traffic — places where the car traffic's really a little bit intrusive." While the "roads" in the series carry multiple vehicles, the houses are single buildings, each isolated in just one shot. As he points out, "People are in cars and not in houses."

Asked if he wanted to include an "artist's statement," Fritz said, "If an artist needs to write a 'statement,' it means the art is failing to communicate on its own... Maybe it's an admission that the artist really wants to be a writer."

Regarding the work's colors, Fritz says, "The grass and sky — that's the color that's there, except I took out the black and white." But he acknowledges that the colors of his vehicles are more intense than they were in real life. "Those are the colors God would make cars."

The location of the stretch of road in this photomontage was near Cedarville, Illinois, approximately a mile south of the Wisconsin border at the intersection of Illinois Route 26 and Winslow Road.

Fritz says the photographs in *Illinois Rte 26* were done with traditional film. More recently, he's begun working with a digital camera.

Silent Auction Lots

The silent auction begins at 6:00 p.m., with staggered closings. Winning bids will be posted shortly after bidding closes. Payments in cash or by check are preferred, but we also gladly accept payment with Visa or Mastercard.

1 Start planning your spring trip with this great fishing gear package. You'll catch more with the Wright & McGill "Skeet Reese" 7-foot, 2-inch medium-light rod. Add the Shimano spinning reel, Rapala tackle, and a Cabela bag for keeping all that tackle organized. You're sure to bring home that trophy fish! Donated by BFAL members **Cindy Vavroch, Tammy Hayes, and Rhonda Miller.**

2 Hawkeye fans! Drool over this University of Iowa football (donated by the **Des Moines County I-Club**), to display along with the black-and-gold poster (professionally framed and donated by **The Medium**), from the 2010 Penn State-Iowa game. Drool even more when you celebrate the team at your ultimate tailgate party, using the \$100 certificate from **Buffalo Wild Wings.**

3 **Lori Upton** donates an original, detailed botanical rendering executed with graphite in shades of gray and black. Her *Heart of the Orchid* is on a 14 x 11-inch sheet and has been custom matted and framed. Lori, a BFAL member, studied at the Maine College of Art and at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

4 Enjoy one night of great entertainment at **The Washington** — or spread the fun out over several nights! It's your choice with a \$100 certificate to use for cover charges and beverages at Burlington's hippest music venue.

5 Are your kids ready to join forces for a *Cars 2* adventure with Mater the tow-truck and special agent John Korschgen at **State Farm**? Buckle up, because this basket has all they'll need for their top-secret mission. (Hint: It may involve Lightning McQueen, along with some new characters for the first-ever World Grand Prix.) And when the mission is complete, they can enjoy a tasty treat from **Pam's Cakes.**

6 Bring out a new you with a series of six medical microdermabrasion treatments, compliments of **Cleveland Dermatology.**

7 Pamper your pooch with a collar and leash, shampoo, freshener spray, and a doggie water bottle donated by **Allgood Animal Hospital.** Keep your doggie happy and healthy with a 35-pound bag of Exclusive dog food from **Horse & Hound Country Store** and a \$10 certificate from **Jen & Kenra's.** And organize all your pet products with a **LaMont** basket set.

8

The “green man” motif — a human face made of or surrounded by leaves — has a long history, appearing in examples found in Iraq and Lebanon from the second century A.D. This colorful, ceramic version by Burlington potter **Amie Dunkin** is substantial; meant to hang on a wall, the piece measures 15 x 14 inches.

9

Get ready for the holidays with a festive floral arrangement to enhance your home. Donated by **Under the Sun**.

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On Saturday, February 11, swing and sway with your sweetheart to top-name entertainment at the sixth annual Smooth Jazz Valentine’s Concert. Your table for two is reserved for 6:00; the concert begins at 8:00; and you’ll even stay overnight. It’s all at the majestically charming Lodge Hotel in Bettendorf. Donated by BFAL members **Lori Denney**, **Terry Johnson**, and **Rebecca Rump**.



AMIE DUNKIN (DETAIL)

11

Rock on! — with your new guitar from **Mundt Piano and Organ**. Your talents will soar even higher with ten free vocal or piano lessons from BFAL member **Amanda Brent** — lesson book and materials included.

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This mixed-media charcoal and pastel was done by Brett Erts, a former student of John Bybee at SCC who plans to attend the School of the Art Institute of Chicago next year. Brett’s *Blue Man* depicts a man lost in thought and feeling as he listens to jazz. The piece measures 23 x 12 inches and has been matted and framed by The Medium. Donated by proud mom and BFAL member **Ann Reynolds Erts**.

13

Get stung by the fun! The **Burlington Bees** organization is donating four single-game home tickets for the 2012 season. After the game, celebrate with a bucket of beer from **Moto’s Public House** that you’ve kept cold in your large cooler from **Fleck Sales** and munch on chips from **Sterzing’s**.

14

Spruce up your home with a new area rug from **Rheinschmidt’s Flooring America**, a \$25 **Target** card, and a \$50 certificate from the **Tattered Parasol**. Plus, BFAL member **Robyn Büniger** is donating three hours of her talented decorating and staging services to help with your new decor.

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Enjoy the spectacular Mississippi River view from **Big Muddy’s**, with appetizers for twenty people and a gift basket of wines and cheeses.

16

Expand your cultural horizons with season passes to performances of the **Southeast Iowa Symphony**, **Players’ Workshop**, and **Burlington Civic Music**.

17 Rock-a-bye your baby with a story from these (possibly) sleep-inducing children's books. Then as you tip-toe away — the night's book having been safely stored in the canvas bag from **Burlington by the Book** — your infant will drift sweetly off while gazing at the Wimmer-Ferguson mobile donated by **Imagine That Toy Shop**.

18 Attention, red wine lovers! You'll savor this hard-to-get bottle from California wine country. Pour each serving through your Vinturi wine aerator and into one of your four Riedel glasses — each of which is adorned with a sterling-silver-and-ocean-glass wine charm, designed and donated by Yarmouth artisan **Jorie Tonkinson**. Between pourings, you can rest the bottle in your handcrafted, stoneware crock and cork it with your hand-carved, wood-and-turquoise stopper. All but the charms donated by charming BFAL members **Deb Beach and Nina Zaiser**.

19 Create a backyard oasis with a garden sculpture donated by **For Our Birds**, a \$100 certificate from **Zaiser's Florist & Greenhouse**, and a yard ornament from the Amana Colonies. Donated by BFAL members **Sara Hecox and Crystal Bivens**.

20 Self-taught artist **Jane Spring** donates this 15 x 15-inch collage, in a genre she calls "retro-visceral." Jane's work has been in gallery shows in Kansas City, Davenport, and Macomb and is in multiple private collections. Jane and her husband, Jim Spring, live in rural Des Moines County. (Jim's donation for GALA 2011, a turned wood bowl, is live auction lot 3.)

21 Plan to have fun when summertime rolls around again with a pair of Maui Jim nonprescription sunglasses, a beach towel, koozies, and sunscreen. Donated by **American EyeCare**.

22 Sparkle inside and out with a \$125 certificate from **Brite-Way Window Cleaning** and a \$100 certificate from **Burke Cleaners**. And spruce up your car with a \$100 certificate from **Billups Tire & Service Centers**.

23 What's a more riveting moment in football than the instant before the snap? That's the tense scene in this piece — *In the Trenches* — where Iowa Hawkeyes and Michigan Wolverines face off across the line of scrimmage. (The artist, John Becker, grew up in Iowa and went to college here, but he lives in Michigan now — so we suspect he has divided loyalties.) This original acrylic-on-canvas painting, which measures 20 x 24 inches, is donated by BFAL member **Susan Ploeger**.

24 Bring your friends down to **The Drake** for a wine tasting, accompanied by a variety of appetizers, for twelve lucky people.



JOHN BECKER

- 25** Ladies! Improve yourself with a cut, color, and style from **Raze Hair Design** and leave with a great look as well as an assortment of hair products to take home. Continue your pampering just a few doors down with a half-hour massage at **Cool la Vie**. Then it's over to **Treasured Memories Tearoom** for a memorable lunch.
- 26** Surprise that special someone with flowers you'll put in this honeycomb-patterned, hurricane-style vase donated by BFAL member **Teresa Engler**.
- 27** Family night! Enjoy a pizza a month for a year from **Happy Joe's**, two season passes for all home **Southeastern Community College** games — that's women's basketball, softball, and volleyball; and men's basketball and baseball — and a special package from **Culver's** that includes food certificates, t-shirts, and a mini Culver's refrigerator.
- 28** Dine in style at the **Ivy Bake Shoppe & Café** each month for a year, carrying an individually hand-painted Anuschka leather bag donated by **Original Cyns**.
- 29** The holidays are just around the corner! Gather the family for a **KimAnne Photography** portrait that will adorn twenty-five holiday cards. Decorate your home with a Christmas item from **Nature's Corner** and a \$100 certificate from **Ritter's**. And treat the whole crowd with a festive sheet cake from **Pam's Cakes**.
- 30** Don't pass up this limited-edition "lace pottery" bowl from North Carolina artist Maggie Weldon, who draws from her collection of vintage doilies to create heirloom-quality pieces. Donated by BFAL member **Mitty Billups**.
- 31** Enhance your home with a lovely piece donated by BFAL associate member **Carol Benne** of Designer's Viewpoint.
- 32** Your child's next birthday will be extra special with a Trek tricycle from **Bickel's Cycling and Fitness** plus a tasty, decorated cake from **Pam's Cakes**. And you'll make the memories of that smiling face last with a \$50 portrait session from **Amy Becker Photography**.
- 33** Adorn your home or office with this 24 x 16-inch photo of Downtown Burlington's Capitol Theater, donated by multi-talented photographer, pediatric nurse, and BFAL associate member **Liz Buhmeyer**. (And check out husband Tim Buhmeyer's photo, too; it's silent auction lot 53.)
- 34** For your favorite little girl: the special Christmas style of this ornament-strewn red, green, and pink tutu dress with matching headband, donated by **Parties Unlimited**; one semester of **Kindermusik on the River** classes; and a portrait session at **National Studio** to capture all that adorableness.



LIZ BUHMEYER

- 35** Get your martini on with this swank set of four martini glasses and accessories donated by BFAL members **Ann Peters** and **Susan Tjaden**. The basket includes a recipe book, martini shaker, and some fine vodkas.
- 36** Need some bling? Start with an embellished shirt in beautiful autumn colors from **Jen & Kenra's**. Then add a gorgeous yet functional Debbie Brooks cell phone case/wrist bag/shoulder bag and matching key chain, both adorned with Swarovski crystals, donated by BFAL member **Kristen Crist**.
- 37** Living at Red Fox Hollow Farm north of Burlington for nearly fifty years, **Gena Hausknecht** has always been able to find inspiration for her artwork in nature, whether she's creating a painting, or jewelry, or a unique piece that uses actual elements gathered from the outdoors.
- 38** Enjoy a wholesome picnic outing with a large picnic basket, wines, table service, and numerous tasty food items, all donated by BFAL member **Lynda Murray**. And stay healthy with a session of nutrition consulting from Lynda herself, the Dietician Magician.
- 39** Kick off Steamboat Days 2012 with a backyard BBQ — with steaks and all the fixin's for two from **Tom's Market & Meats**. Then enjoy Burlington's annual festival of American music with two single-night grounds passes, donated by **Burlington Steamboat Days**.
- 40** Bonnie Baldwin of **The Iowa Store** donates a framed print, *Moonlight Reflections*, by Burlington photographer Ed Minard.
- 41** Coming from a musical family, the subject of **Karla Mundt's** mixed-media collage came easily for her. Karla, who has a BFA from the University of Iowa, has long been an active artist and a popular children's art teacher for the Art Guild of Burlington and for Burlington homeschoolers.
- 42** Want a little in-town getaway for a select group? Grab five friends for a lunch at **Peaches Café**, then relax in and around the pool at **Comfort Suites**. The package includes two overnight deluxe suites, with breakfast in the morning. (By the way, the front desk says the pool's open from 6:00 a.m until 11:00 p.m.)
- 43** Iowa City bound? Head downtown and shop till you drop at **Catherine's Boutique** with a \$100 certificate. Stop by **Buzz Salon** to collect your Kératase hair products and to spend your \$20 certificate. Finally, use your \$100 certificate from **Graze** to top off the day with a really nice meal.
- 44** Decorate Chicago Cubs style! Ya gotta love this full-size Cubs patchwork quilt and coordinating, custom-painted, Cubs-themed painting by Dean Wehrle. Donated by BFAL member — and daughter of the painter — **Gina Crabtree**.
- 45** A bold design with geometric overtones, this colorful, fused-glass piece is donated by Burlington artisan **Lori Parker**.

46 Look absolutely fabulous with a spa treatment package from **Styletique** — with a set of gel nails, two spray tans, eyelash extensions, and a one-hour massage.

47 BFAL member **Sara Haas** donates this striking black-and-white photograph by Burlington artist Mike Hamma, showing a row of trees in Shimek State Forest — one of the largest remaining contiguous forests in the state with stands of oak, hickory, and pine.

48 **Julian Menke** describes the piece he has donated as “a conceptual representation of music.” A somewhat sophisticated theorist, Julian says of his work, “The message can be received at random and by unintentional recipients — or not at all, much like a note in a bottle.” Julian is a graduate of Southeastern Community College, and his work is in the college’s permanent collection.

49 **Burlington in Bloom** donates a fabulous matching wreath and floral arrangement for your home. Highlight your bath with this beautiful gift basket filled with luxurious soaps donated by **The Wholesome Basket**.

50 Associate BFAL member **Deb Bessine** donates one of her original, floral oil paintings, executed on recycled tin and professionally framed (of course!).

51 Work up an appetite hunting for that one-of-a-kind item from **The Nest**. Then head up the road a bit to **61 Chop House Grille & Liquid Lounge** for a delicious and mouth-watering meal, created by the one-and-only chef Terry Reis and donated by spouse and BFAL member **Lori Denney**.

52 Outdoor photography your passion? Take your waterproof camera on a canoe trip on the Upper Iowa River near Decorah for a chance to get shots of native prairie, forest, 100-foot-tall bluffs, eagles, song birds, river, and rapids. This package gives you a rental certificate for the 2012 season with one of the local outfitters, who will take your party of four people and two canoes to your input site and pick you up at the end of your 10- or 20-mile float. You’ll have a \$50 Visa card to help pay for the hotel, B&B, or camping stay of your choice. You decide how rugged or refined your experience will be! No matter what, the river trip is worth the drive to Decorah. Donated by BFAL member **Deb Thomas**.

53 Farmer, sound tech, musician, and photographer **Tim Buhmeyer** donates an 18 x 24-inch framed and matted photograph of the Great River Bridge on a dark and stormy night. (Don’t miss wife Liz Buhmeyer’s photo of the Capitol Theater; it’s silent auction lot 33.)



TIM BUHMEYER

54

This is your moment! Embrace it with a beautiful Pandora pendant necklace made of carnelian — the gem of power — hand finished with sterling silver that's been enhanced with an oxidized finish. Donated by **Becker's Jewelers**.

55

Artists from **Hope Haven** created this acrylic painting with metallic highlights, depicting *Jazz in the River City*. With a clever palette and elements ranging from architectural to abstract, it's a lively example of art as a means of self-expression.



HOPE HAVEN ARTISTS

56

Extend your backyard's outdoor season with this stainless steel patio heater, donated by **Standard of Beaverdale**.

57

Ladies! Enhance almost any outfit in your wardrobe with this classic jewelry statement — a hand-crafted necklace-and-earrings set with gorgeous, natural onyx, crystal, and quartz stones. Ornate sterling silver beads and a sterling clasp finish the timeless look. This one-of-a-kind item was made and donated by **Sharon Marshall**.

Live Auction Lots

The live auction begins at 7:30 p.m. Bidders should get an auction number from the auctioneer table before it begins. Payments in cash or by check are preferred. We also accept payment with Visa or Mastercard.

1

In this 28 x 12-inch colorful, abstract painting, *Study in Texture*, hidden household items hide within heavily applied paint, creating a sense of familiarity, yet mystery. Donated by the artist, BFAL member **Marianne Darnall**.

2

Get fit and ready for a healthy lifestyle with a one-year family membership at the **Burlington Area Community YMCA-YWCA**, where you'll work out in style with the pair of running or walking shoes you got with a certificate from **Running Wild**.

3

Artist **Jim Spring** donates a turned wooden bowl, 22 inches in diameter. Long known for his amazingly detailed two-dimensional depictions of nature, in recent years Jim has shifted his focus to working in three dimensions. Jim and his wife, Jane Spring, live in rural Des Moines County. (We hope you haven't missed bidding on Jane's "retro-visceral" collage; it's silent auction lot 20.)

4 Experienced business owners will tell you: It's all about the advertising! Let **The Hawk Eye** advertise your business with a full-page color ad, designed by the Hawk Eye staff. You'll get a one-year subscription to The Hawk Eye as well.

5 Internationally known artist **Cécile Houël** offers *Jazzy Mood*, a 23 x 30-inch oil pastel of a trumpet player in a nightclub. Cécile says her portraits are inspired by "humanity, in a spirit of tolerance and sacred diversity." She and her husband, David Garrison, divide their painting and teaching time between Burlington and Normandy.



CÉCILE HOUËL

6 Enjoy a one-year social membership at the **Burlington Golf Club**, the oldest golf club west of the Mississippi. This package is donated by the golf club and includes the club initiation fee and monthly dues for a year. *At the winning bidder's option, the value may be applied an already existing club membership.*

7 A night at the opera! Here's an easy chance to snatch up two tickets for next summer's Des Moines Metro Opera production of Mozart's comic *Don Giovanni*. The Indianola package includes an overnight stay at the Garden and Gallery bed and breakfast. Donated by **Windowscapes** and opera mom Rebecca Prickett. *Performances are scheduled for June and July 2012. Casting is yet to be determined.*

8 Upgrade your home's focal point with this fireplace surround. Made of oak, the surround has a mantel and fancy fretwork and is about 50 inches tall by 55 inches wide. Constructively donated by **Standard of Beavertdale**.

9 **Lindsey Bloomquist** created this 36 x 48-inch, acrylic-on-canvas painting. With a trompe l'oeil piano keyboard, some fleurs de lis — *a reference to New Orleans jazz, n'est pas?* — and an Industrial-Age bridge — *maybe the Brooklyn Bridge?* — the artwork is perfect for this year's GALA "Jazz in the City" theme.



LINDSEY BLOOMQUIST

10 Designer Scott Kay, known for his "platinum approach to sterling silver," created this sterling silver necklace with fabulous citrine gems and diamonds — wonderfully suitable for everyday or for a special evening out. Donated by **BFAL associate members**.

11

This photomontage from our GALA 2011 featured artist, **Fritz Goeckner**, is part of a series focusing on Midwestern “occupied roads and desolated homes.” Fritz took the group of photos that make up his *Illinois Rte 26* in a single session in the summer of 2010 near Cedarville, a small town in rural northern Illinois. Composed of several discrete shots arranged horizontally, the final framed and matted piece measures nearly five feet in width. As with other work, Fritz processed his photographs using a method he calls “free color.” (Read more about Fritz on pages 10 and 11.)



FRITZ GOECKNER (DETAIL)

12

An unforgettable evening! Eight people will savor this indulgent five-course brewmaster’s dinner, featuring craft beers created by Eric Sorensen — a different brew to compliment each of five delectable courses. The event takes place at the home of Eric and Sue Sorenson. (That’s the former YMCA building in Ft. Madison). Your hosts will be BFAL members **Sue Sorenson**, **Ann Reynolds Ertz**, and **Jennifer Klever-Kirkman**. Luxury limo transportation to and from the event will be provided by **Executive Transportation**. *Party must be used by December 20, 2012.*

13

First romance, then golf! Start late in the day at the luxurious **Catfish Bend Inn & Spa**, where you’ll be spoiled with a fifty-minute couples massage. Then take a little time to “freshen up” in your beautifully decorated Catfish Inn adult hotel room before you enjoy a dinner for two — along with \$50 in free play at Catfish Bend Casino. The next morning, head to **Spirit Hollow**, one of southeast Iowa’s premier golf courses, where you’ll have a round of golf with a cart, lunch, and a \$50 bar credit. Each golfer will receive a dozen golf balls and a golf shirt and hat to take home.

14

The subject of this Newt Colburn original, *Ipomoea alba*, otherwise known as the moonflower, is so called because it blooms in the evening. Donated by **Camera Land**, Newt’s stunning 24 x 24-inch giclée photograph is printed on archival inks on fine-art paper and presented in gallery-wrap format.

15

Paradise awaits you in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico! Up to three couples or a family of six will relish this 2,000-plus-square-foot ocean-view condo in a pristine, gated community. Enjoy new, contemporary decor, pools, workout gym, tennis courts, snack bar, and a short, three-minute walk to the beach — even better than the conveniences of home! *May be used for one week between June 1, 2012, and November 1, 2012.* Donated by BFAL members and spouses **Connie and David McManis** and **Pam and Gary Schmeiser**.

16

Downtown Burlington by **James Walker Henry** is a scenic view of the Downtown river front: the Great River Bridge, the Port of Burlington, and the sweep of the Mississippi River. Jim has been a serious painter for over twenty-five years, exhibiting in galleries and museums nationally and internationally — most recently in highly competitive group shows at the Brooklyn Waterfront Artists Coalition in New York City and at the Des Moines Art Center.

17

Beauty, bars, and buds! This bar-crawl package is for five ready-to-party couples. The evening starts off with the gentlemen heading to Whitey's Bar & Billiards for pitchers of beer, pizza, pool, and shuffleboard, while the ladies are across the street at the Grand Strand Salon being pampered — getting their hair styled by Leah Prall and staff, munching on sandwiches and appetizers, and getting a goodie bag of Kenra hair products. Then the Golden Eagle Bud Bus takes the five couples to the Paddle Wheel, the Sombrero, the Buffalo Tavern, and Kelly O'Shea's Shamrock, with a token for a free beer at each stop. The evening ends with the bus returning you all safe and sound to Whitey's. Package donated by **Leiah Prall** and **Liz Rich**.

18

Let your someone special know "The Best Is Yet to Come" when you spend "Night and Day" in Chicago — "My Kind of Town" — with two tickets to the 2010 Broadway musical *Come Fly Away*, featuring the legendary music of Frank Sinatra, the choreography of Tony award-winner Twyla Tharp, and a live-on-stage big band. This package also includes overnight accommodations for two in Chicago. Donated by BFAL members **Michelle AbouAssaly**, **Lindsay Fruehling**, and **Kim Korschgen**.

19

Grüß aus Tirol! Bring Oktoberfest to Burlington! The dinner table will be set for sixteen people as Monika Coursey and Gretchen Delaney dish up authentic Austrian Gulasch, along with Gösser and Spaten beer and Spätlese wine. Your taste buds will surely be pleased with these European delights. *To be used in September or October 2012*. Donated by BFAL member **Monika Coursey** and associate member **Gretchen Delaney**.

20

Fight, fight, fight for Iowa! You'll kick yourself if you don't bid on these four box-seat tickets to the Iowa Hawkeyes' 2012 opening home football game at Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City. Donated by **Randy Winegard**.

21

Chuck Day is the owner and operator and a major artist at Nine Dot Studio, the custom tattoo studio and art gallery that's become an oasis of hip in Downtown Burlington. Visitors who drop by the studio can see Chuck working on projects large (e.g., wall murals) and small (e.g., tattoos) on a daily basis. This untitled mixed-media piece is an example of his expressionist- and street-influenced art on a medium scale: a painting of an emotion-ridden man done on top of an existing still life, the piece measures 36 x 24 inches.



CHUCK DAY

22 Eat, drink, be merry, and bowl at FunCity! This package includes bowling for eight at KingPins and dinner for all of you at the Boogaloo Café, topped off with a night's stay in a bunk-bed suite at the Pzazz Resort Hotel — all donated by **FunCity**. And don't forget to enjoy dessert in your room with a sheet cake from **Pam's Cakes**.

23 Enjoy a fun-filled package of high-tech indoor golf, icy-cold beer and cocktails, taste-tempting food, and golf-themed contests at Spirit Hollow and the All-Season Fitting Studio. Bring six couples or a group of twelve friends, business associates, or customers and enjoy customized club fitting, free range balls, Martini's heavy appetizers, the expanded sports bar, long-drive contests, putting contests, and cool prizes for everyone. Theme your event with "best dressed," "worst dressed," *Caddyshack*, *Tin Cup*... It's up to you! Staff at Spirit Hollow will be happy to help plan, organize, and execute a golfing experience you won't soon forget. Donated by BFAL members and spouses **Wendy and Ryan Bowen, Cheryl and Brad Krogull, Marie and Aaron Luftenegger**, and **Becky and Jerry Sherwood**.

24 **Tim Van Ginkel** donates *BRL-1'27"*, an 18 x 12-inch monoprint. A Ft. Madison native, Tim is an alumnus of SCC and WIU, and he holds MA and MFA degrees from the University of Iowa. He currently teaches printmaking at Illinois State University. To see more of Tim's work, visit his upcoming solo exhibition, from November 15 through December 13, in the Southeastern Community College art gallery at the West Burlington campus.



TIM VAN GINKEL

25 How about being the host of a pool party for twenty people in July 2012? Better yet, let somebody else do all the hosting work for you! Dance to music and watch the sun go down at the home of Lisa Walsh on the Mississippi River bluff. Great appetizers and your favorite beer, wine, and soft drinks will be provided. Donated by BFAL member **Lisa Walsh**.

26 Dazzle her with this bangle bracelet, crafted from 18-karat gold, sterling silver, black onyx, and 0.17 ctw of diamonds, from designer Andréa Candela. This lovely piece is donated by **BFAL associate members**.

27 Take me out to the ball game! Here are two tickets to a Cardinals baseball game and an overnight stay in Downtown St. Louis, donated by the **Shottenkirk Superstore**; plus two round trip tickets to St. Louis from **Air Choice One**.

28 Here's wine tasting for eight, served at your home or at the home of Dave and Deb Beach. The evening includes an abundance of red and white wines to sample, with information specially provided by the Hy-Vee wine and spirits manager. Delicious hors d'oeuvres to complement your wine will also be provided. Donated by **Hy-Vee on Agency**.

29

Dine with distinction! Join chef Christopher Morris in a five-course dinner for eight with a French flair as you meet with fine friends over fine food and wines at Château Jochims. Hostesses are **Debbie Jochims, Barbara McRoberts, Linda Riley,** and **Mary Saxton.** Superbly presented, savory to the taste, sweet to the senses, this March 24, 2012, evening will whisk away the winter chill with cuisine sure to delight.

30

Enjoy the ambiance of Burlington along the mighty Mississippi. First, your party of twelve will be served cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the historic home of **Brad and Jeanne Deery** with its sweeping river views. Then, the evening continues at Martini's, overlooking the majestic Great River Bridge, with an elegant four-course dinner presented by chef Joe Viviano and donated by **Martini's.**

31

Chuck and Sue Kershner of **Starlight Studio** designed and crafted this one-of-a-kind, contemporary piece just for GALA. Their multimedia tabletop sculpture, formed from steel, glass, and wood, is 24 inches tall.

32

Back by popular demand: It's Girls Night Out...AGAIN! You and nine friends will be treated to a chic fashion getaway — a Saturday evening private party at **Melissa's** in the Westland Mall. Party features include hors d'oeuvres and delectable desserts; great music from DJ **Brian Japsen;** and most importantly, the latest fashions and footwear for you to try on. Melissa's will give away literally thousands of dollars in door prizes as the store celebrates thirty years of rocking your wardrobe!

33

Tempt your taste buds and challenge your culinary skills! Grab five friends for a very special evening cooking demonstration and meal, presented by chef Patti Myers of **Café Olde World** in uptown Mediapolis.

34

Summer Kitchen is by Burlington artist **Rebecca Matthews,** done in her characteristic, impressionistic style. Measuring 24 x 30 inches, this oil painting depicts a stone outbuilding near a historic home on North Third Street.



REBECCA MATTHEWS

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