

# 2008 Honorary Chairs

The Auction recognizes two contributors to Washington wines. Behind every glass of Washington wine are the dedicated and passionate people growing the grapes and crafting the product. Each year, the Auction of Washington Wines honors a local grower and vintner for their contributions in making our wine industry one of the world's greatest. This year the honors go to grower Jim Holmes of Ciel du Cheval Vineyard and vintner Kay Simon of Chinook Wines.

## Honorary Grower Jim Holmes • Ciel du Cheval



"Dirt and climate; climate and dirt." Such are the two essential ingredients grower Jim Holmes credits to the success of his famed grapes. Jim has been growing grapes since 1975, when he and fellow grower John Williams first planted the Ciel du Cheval and Kiona vineyards on Red Mountain. He made the first Kiona wines in his garage in 1980 and remained the principal winemaker until about 1990. In 1994, Jim retired from Kiona, became the owner of the Ciel du Cheval and rebuilt operations with newly available clones, trellising techniques and cultural methods. Ciel is now one of the state's top vineyards and was designated *Seattle* magazine's vineyard of the year in 2006. Jim was listed as one of the world's 50 most influential winemakers by *Wine & Spirits* magazine, designated as one of a number of "wine personalities of the year" by Robert Parker's *The Wine Advocate*, was the Washington Association of Wine Grape Growers (WAWGG) grower of the year in 2005 and was named a Clore Center wine legend in 2007. Jim is currently serving as Vice Chairman of the Washington Association of Wine Grape Growers.

## Honorary Vintner Chair Kay Simon • Chinook Wines



Twenty-five years ago, winemaker Kay Simon, along with her husband and vineyard viticulturalist Clay Mackey, founded Chinook Wines in a farmhouse in Prosser in Yakima Valley. Chinook has since become synonymous with highly acclaimed, limited-amount dry wines produced from chardonnay, sauvignon blanc, semillon, merlot, cabernet franc and cabernet sauvignon grapes. Kay got her start as an assistant winemaker at Chateau Ste. Michelle in 1977, after studying fermentation science and nutrition at University of California at Davis. As the state's pioneering woman winemaker (more than a dozen women winemakers work in Washington today), she further developed her winemaking skills in Yakima Valley, where she met and married her husband. Today, Chinook's award-winning small-batch wines are sold to top restaurants and fine wine merchants in the Pacific Northwest and a few select locations elsewhere.

The Auction of Washington Wines is the 501 (c) (3) non-profit philanthropic organization of the Washington wine industry and one of the top charity wine auctions in the nation. The event is the industry's annual gift to its communities across the state, benefiting Uncompensated Care for patients and families at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center and the Washington Wine Education Foundation. The Auction of Washington Wines has raised more than \$19 million since its inception in 1988.

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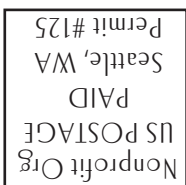
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## Picnic with the Winemakers & Barrel Auction Thursday, August 14, 2008 - Chateau Ste. Michelle



### Picnic with the Winemakers

Start your weekend off right with a celebration of the state's bountiful grapes at the Picnic, held on the grounds of Chateau Ste. Michelle in Woodinville. Bring your own blanket and settle in for an evening of music, games, gourmet picnic food and wine. Be sure to bid on the Silent Auction and Barrel Auction. Try your luck at the Ring Toss and Wheel of Wine, meet and chat with Washington winemakers, enjoy cocktail music from Johnny Astro and raise a glass to Washington wines!

### Barrel Auction

Twelve wineries will be offering barrel samples of upcoming releases; 5 future cases of these limited production wines will be auctioned off.

- Abeja, 2006, Cabernet Sauvignon
- àMaurice, 2007, Bordeaux blend
- Buty Winery, 2006, Connor Lee Vineyard Chardonnay
- Columbia Winery, 2007 Red Willows Syrah
- Gramercy Cellars, 2007, Forgotten Hills Reserve Syrah
- J. Bookwalter, 2007, Chapter Three
- Mark Ryan Winery, 2007 Dead Horse, Ciel du Cheval
- Matthews Estate, 2007, Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot
- Sleight of Hand Cellars, 2007, "Levitation" Syrah
- Spring Valley Vineyard, 2007, Derby
- Va Piano Vineyards, 2007, Cabernet Sauvignon
- Waters Winery, 2007, Forgotten Hills Syrah

# Auction of Washington Wines



August 2008

## "Coming of Age" 21st Anniversary Auction of Washington Wines

As the 21st annual Auction of Washington Wines "comes of age," so does the Washington wine industry. The past several years has seen our state grow into one of the most respected wine producers in the country, with award-winning wines besting their California and European counterparts in numerous esteemed competitions.

This weekend celebration of Washington wine will be held **August 14 – 16 at Chateau Ste. Michelle** and private locations in the greater Seattle area. Tickets are on sale for Picnic with the Winemakers, Winemaker Dinners and the elegant **"Coming of Age" Gala Auction**.

The events will benefit Uncompensated Care for patients and families at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center and the Washington Wine Education Foundation.

Ticket prices are \$125 - \$1,000 per person. Tickets to individual events as well as weekend and corporate guest packages are available. Reserve your tickets today at [www.auctionofwashingtonwines.org](http://www.auctionofwashingtonwines.org). Register on line for the Covey Run 10K and TalkingRain 5K run/walk & Kids Dash: [www.runforchildrens.org](http://www.runforchildrens.org)

## Raising a Glass for Children's



child needs this kind of treatment," says Cynthia, a registered nurse. "Everyone was so helpful, detailed and diligent. They provided a phenomenal level of care, love and compassion and we are so grateful." Now back home in California and nearly two years in remission, 13-year-old Taylor raves over Children's doctors and nurses and its kid-friendly environment "Anything I needed or could have wanted was provided," he says. "They made everything as easy as possible and helped me understand what was going on in my body. It is an amazing place that's helping save kids' lives every day." Taylor remains an active champion for Children's. Earlier this year he sang with the Seattle Symphony in a Children's fundraiser and will speak on behalf of the hospital at the Gala Auction. Looking back at his experience, Taylor says, "[Children's] made a hard battle an amazing experience. And I don't think there's another place like it."

Since its founding in 1907, Children's goal has been to provide the best possible medical care to any child, regardless of race, religion, gender or ability to pay. The Seattle institution is consistently ranked as one of the best children's hospitals in the country.

It is a testament to the hospital's reputation as a nationally recognized leader in pediatric healthcare that Jim and Cynthia Carol chose to bring their son, Taylor, to Seattle from southern California when he was diagnosed with Philadelphia Chromosome, a rare form of leukemia. Taylor was initially treated near his home, but after learning that he required a bone marrow transplant, the Carols were resolute in seeking out the best possible care. "Children's Hospital is by far the best place in the world if your

If you are unable to attend the Gala Auction this year and would like to make a financial contribution to support Children's Hospital, please contact Carol Munro at 206-326-5747 or [cmunro@washingtonwine.org](mailto:cmunro@washingtonwine.org).

# Auction of Washington Wines Welcomes Celebrity Chefs

The chefs for the Auction of Washington Wines are a distinguished group of professionals who lend their time and culinary talents to prepare the gourmet fare at Picnic and the six-course extravagant dinner at the Gala Auction.

The menu at Picnic with the Winemakers is a collaborative effort with Eric Donnelly of The Oceanaire Seafood Room, Mike Hillyer of The Capital Grille, and Brian Scheehser of Trellis at the Heathman Hotel.

The Gala Auction gourmet dinner features John Sarich and Janet Hedstrom, Chateau Ste. Michelle joined by Peter Birk of Ray's Boathouse Café & Catering; Kaspar Donier of Kaspars Catering and Special Events; Wayne Johnson of Andaluca; Bobby Moore and Christine Longo of Barking Frog; Bill Morris, of Rainier Club; John Neumark of Serafina; Adam Stevenson of Earth & Ocean and Rachel Yang and Seif Chirchi of Joule.

The Auction of Washington Wines is honored to work with this talented team of chefs and is grateful for their personal support and that of their respective businesses.



**Peter Birk,**  
Ray's Boathouse



**Seif Chirchi,**  
Joule



**Eric Donnelly,** The Oceanaire Seafood Room



**Kaspar Donier,**  
Kaspars Catering and Special Events



**Janet Hedstrom,**  
Chateau Ste. Michelle



**Michael Hillyer,**  
The Capital Grille



**Wayne Johnson,**  
Andaluca



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Trellis at the Heathman Hotel



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# AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Here are just a few of the wonderful items we have in store for you this year.....



## Magnum Salute Honoring Jim Holmes of Ciel du Cheval

What a deserving tribute to one of Washington State's most respected and acclaimed wine grape growers - Jim Holmes, the 2008 Honorary Grower. Here is a rare and remarkable collection of some of Washington State's most outstanding wines, all with grapes grown in Ciel du Cheval Vineyard.  
**Value: Priceless**

## Eat, Drink and be Merlot with America's Favorite Fat Cat - GARFIELD

Cartoonist Jim Davis, Garfield's creator, joined with Gary Hogue and Hogue Cellars' winemaking team to produce a series of 3 Liter collectible bottles of extraordinary wine. This is a collection of 5 bottles.  
**Value: \$15,000**

## Seahawks 12th Man's Weekend of a Lifetime - for 2!

Attend the full weekend of activities at Wine Spectator's annual Wine Experience is October 16-18, 2008, including a reception hosted by Ted Baseler of Ste. Michelle Wine Estates and family members from Antinori, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars founder Warren Winiarski and Doug Gore of Ste. Michelle. Overnight accommodations will be at the New York Marriott Marquis. The winning bidder will take home a collection of Ste. Michelle Wine Estates wines.  
**Value: \$10,500**



This will be an exclusive or exhilarating experience as you and a guest are whisked away with the team on the Seahawks charter jet to watch the Seahawks play the Dolphins on November 9, 2008 in Miami, Florida.  
**Value: Priceless**

## Classically Cadence - with Zoe and KING FM!

Join Cadence owners Gaye McNutt and Benjamin Smith, 98.1 Classical KING-FM host Sean McLean, and renowned Seattle chef Scott Staples in a celebration of the premier release of the Cadence Cara Mia Vineyard blends. Dinner for 6 at Restaurant Zoe will be a delight!  
**Value: \$6,500**

## Washington vs. Bordeaux Taste-Off Dinner at Crush for 8

Have you ever wondered if a great Washington wine could go head to head with a classified growth Bordeaux? This is your chance to find out as you take part in a competitive blind tasting led by Jake Kosseff of 1999-2005 Hedges Red Mountain Limited vs. the same vintages of Château Léoville-Las Cases, the absolute best of the Bordeaux second growths.  
**Value: \$4,100**

## Bowling Party for 12 with Trey Busch, Mark McNeilly, and Ethan Stowell

Two teams of 6 will "bowl off" with Trey Busch of Sleigh of Hand and Mark McNeilly, Mark Ryan Winery. Your party will gather at the Garage - THE hot spot for bowling, located on Capital Hill - and celebrate your successes - or not - with dinner at Tavolàta.  
**Value: \$3,840**

## Beach Party Pig Roast with Edgar Martinez, Quilceda Creek & Andaluca for 8

Step up to the plate and join former Seattle Mariner Edgar Martinez, Quilceda Creek and Andaluca Restaurant for an afternoon of high flyin' fun at the Golitzin's fabulous beach-front home on Fidalgo Island in the San Juans. The winning bidder will take home an autographed baseball and a rare 6-Liter of 2005 Quilceda Creek Cabernet Sauvignon (100 points, *The Wine Advocate*) etched and hand-painted.  
**Value: Priceless**

## A "Capital Celebration" of Syrah with Betz Family Winery and The Capital Grille

Celebrate their 10th harvest of syrah as you join Cathy and Bob Betz for a retrospective tasting of every Syrah they have produced and enjoy dinner at The Capital Grille. The winning bidder will take home a bottle of every Syrah Betz Family Winery has made: sixteen sensational wines!  
**Value: \$6,000**

## Dinner with the Auction Co-Chairs for 12 at DeLille Cellars



## DeLILLE CELLARS

Join 2008 auction chairs Greg and Stacy Lill of DeLille Cellars along with Tod and Tara Leiweke of the Seattle Seahawks, for an incredible evening at DeLille Cellars. Award winning chef Vicky McCaffree of the Yarrow Bay Grill will prepare a multi-course dinner paired with a "coming of age" 10 year retrospective of DeLille Cellars wines; each couple will receive a commemorative magnum engraved with DeLille/Seahawks artwork.  
**Value: \$6,200**

## 21-Liter DeLille Salute to AWW and Charles Lill

For the 21st anniversary of the Auction and in memory of Charles Lill, the visionary co-founder of DeLille Cellars, here are 21 Liters of DeLille Cellars wines in a family of formats from 9-Liters down to 1.5-Liter magnums. All bottles are sand carved and hand-painted by Fresh Northwest Design.  
**Value: \$6,500**

Thank you to the many donors that have contributed outstanding auction items to this year's event. We are grateful for their generous support.

## Gordon Brothers 25th Anniversary 6-Liter

Take home this 6-Liter of Gordon Brothers Silver Anniversary wine in a hand etched and painted, one-of-a-kind bottle, and you'll have the only one available at the Auction of Washington Wines. The etching is inspired by the original artwork for the 21st anniversary of the Auction of Washington Wines.  
**Value: \$2,300**

## Dahlia in the Vineyard at Chinook for 50

Guest Chef Tom Douglas prepares Rotisserie Lamb for up to 50 people at Chinook Winery One of Seattle's favorite chefs, Tom Douglas, pairs with Honorary Vintner Kay Simon and Clay Mackey of Chinook Wines for a memorable evening at the winery, in the heart of Yakima Valley.  
**Value: \$6,000**

## VA VA Voom Viking Kitchen



Sexy, sleek and powerful enough for any man. Subtle and stylish enough for the most discerning women, this Viking Stainless Steel Professional Kitchen will leave you cooing and aching. This package includes a 30" w Gas Open Burner Range, Convection Microwave/Hood, 36" w French Door Bottom-Mount Refrigerator/Freezer and Undercounter Dishwasher.  
**Value: \$10,676**

## The Valley...the Vintners...the Vision! For 20

Bid heartily to visit Walla Walla Valley on October 30, 2008 for a one-of-a-kind tour and tasting at two of the state's top wineries with their owners, Marty Clubb and Norm McKibben. There is room for ten couples to join them for dinner at the historic L'Ecole N° 41 Schoolhouse with Chef Bear Ullman of the Marcus Whitman Hotel.  
**Offered at \$1,000 per couple**

## Bookwalter Chapter 2 Release Party in Woodinville

Join John and Gretchen Bookwalter at their new Woodinville Tasting Room on Saturday, November 15 as they celebrate with their Chapter 2 release party.  
**Offered at \$750 per couple**

## Dinner for 8 at The Corson Building with Matt Dillon & Allen Shoup

Long Shadows founder Allen Shoup and Sitka & Spruce owner and chef Matt Dillon co-host an extraordinary private dinner for 8 at Matt's sensational, new Corson Building destination in Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood. The winning bidder takes home a boxed 6-bottle set of Long Shadows magnums.  
**Value: \$3,500**

## Tickets are on sale!

Picnic with the Winemakers  
Thursday, August 14, 2008  
Chateau Ste. Michelle

Winemaker Dinners  
Friday, August 15, 2008  
Various locations

Gala Auction  
Saturday, August 16, 2008  
Chateau Ste. Michelle

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