



A HOUSE PARTY AT CRANBROOK

SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018

Live Auction Items

Shinola Canfield Watches

STARTING BID: \$900.00

It's time to get set for your next celebration! Shinola's Canfield watches are built to last by engineers and craftspeople who believe details weren't meant to be overlooked, but to be celebrated. The watches are assembled right here in Detroit with Swiss and other imported parts set within a sporty case and completed with elegant leather straps. Bid on this set of coordinated his-and-hers Canfield watches and add these quintessential timepieces to your wardrobe.

Classic chronographs with a modern twist, the Canfield is built using a top loaded case construction for a larger face and clearer view—showcasing refined minute track and slim, diamond-cut hands. Hers is accented with a Nude Pink genuine alligator strap and his with a smooth Dark Cognac leather strap. The watches arrive in their own cherry wood boxes.

These watches have been generously donated by Shinola.



Up-North Dairy Farm and Creamery Experience at Idyll Farms

NORTHPORT, MICHIGAN
12 GUESTS
JULY—AUGUST 2018*

STARTING BID: \$1200.00

Shepherd your guests to a unique and idyllic up north experience at Idyll Farms, a renowned goat dairy farm and creamery producing award-winning goat cheeses in Northport. Offering an amazing farmstead experience, you and your guests will visit the dairy goats in their pasture, herd them to the milking parlor and assist in hands-on milking, and enjoy the fruits (cheese)-of-your-labor by indulging in a luxurious cheese tasting in the Creamery.

This one-of-a-kind, tailored farmstead experience will allow you to enjoy areas and aspects of Idyll Farms that are never available to the general public. This package also includes a Deluxe Idyll Farms Gift Basket.

This package has been generously donated by Amy and Mark Spitznagel.



Courtesy of Idyll Farms

*on a mutually agreeable date

A Toast and Tour Party at Frank Lloyd Wright's Meyer May House

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

10 GUESTS

FRIDAY EVENING, 6:00-8:00PM*

JULY 2018—JUNE 2019

STARTING BID: \$1300.00

Open the Frank Lloyd Wright door and welcome your friends to the enchanting architectural treasure of the Grand Rapids Meyer May House. In a unique and memorable reception at the home, you and your guests will enjoy Meyer May House privately labeled California wines alongside luscious appetizers selected with the house Chef. Weather permitting, the veranda will be open for a lovely setting of conversation and relaxation. A docent will be on hand to answer questions and give guided tours.

Considered the Michigan masterpiece of Wright's Prairie School-era, the home for prominent Grand Rapids clothier Meyer May was built between 1908 and 1909. Rich woodwork, golden leaded glass windows, and murals by George Niedecken define the interior, while terraces, planters, and gardens surround the home. Meticulously restored by Steelcase, Inc., in the 1980s, the Meyer May House is today one of Wright's most complete and immersive designs.

Generously donated by Steelcase, Inc., a private evening like this is not available except through unique charitable events and very few are allowed to be given each year to the local community.



Courtesy of Meyer May House

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Twilight Champagne Tour of the Private Eames Home and Studio

SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA
6 GUESTS
JULY 2018—JUNE 2019*

STARTING BID: \$1800.00

Relish the ocean sunset like Charles and Ray Eames in their Santa Monica home with an evening alongside a member of the Eames family. Filled with the eclectic collections of Charles and Ray, you and your guests are invited to explore the home and studio. After your tour, enjoy champagne and light appetizers at sunset overlooking the Eames' favorite eucalyptus-filled meadow and the Pacific Ocean below. The Eames House is not open for public tours.

The iconic design duo met at Cranbrook in the 1930s when Charles served as head of the Academy of Art's Design Department. The Eameses designed and built their California house in 1949, and lived there for the rest of their lives. The interior, with its collection of furniture and objects, remains very much the way it was during Charles and Ray's lifetimes. Now a National Historic Landmark, in 2004, Charles' daughter Lucia Eames established a not-for-profit organization: the Charles and Ray Eames House Preservation Foundation, Inc., to preserve and protect the Eames House and to provide educational experiences that celebrate the couple's creative legacy.

This rare opportunity to explore the Eames House has been generously donated by The Eames Foundation.

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Shinola Runwell Turntable and Bookshelf Speakers

STARTING BID: \$2000.00

Fill your home with the art and sound of Shinola's turntable elegance. From the company that brought high-quality craftsmanship and assembly back to downtown Detroit, Shinola's Runwell turntable is a gorgeous, two-speed belt-driven table with a low-friction tone arm, a pre-mounted and aligned Moving Magnet cartridge, and Shinola-designed phono preamplifier. Made of a solid aluminum top and leather platter with a wood skirt base and metal feet, this turntable is designed inside and out for the discriminating audiophile and easy to use by any music enthusiast.

Sync it with Shinola's brand new Bookshelf Speakers (not available in stores until later this year), and enjoy the rich sound the Runwell will bring to your favorite records. With only three cables to plug in, set up is simple and designed to seamlessly complement your home system. The active Bookshelf speakers were crafted, innovated, and technologically mastered by the Shinola Audio team to achieve the superb imaging, powerful lows, warm mids, and articulate highs. The pure sound fills any room with the detailed Shinola Audio sound signature.

The turntable and speakers were generously donated by Shinola. The speakers will be available for delivery mid-July.



Wine Tasting and Dinner at Highgate, the Home of Stephen and Bobbi Polk

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICHIGAN

8 GUESTS

JULY 2018—JUNE 2019*

STARTING BID: \$2400.00

Welcome to the heart and soul of Bloomfield Hills. Stephen Polk, Vice-Chair of Cranbrook's Board of Trustees, and his wife Bobbi, a member of the Center's board, invite you and your guests to explore the grounds and artistic highlights of their family home, Highgate. A five-course dinner hosted in the Polk's extensive wine cellar will be prepared by Mike Barrera, prior chef at Streetside, Townhouse, and Prime and Proper, and served by Center Director Gregory Wittkopp, Collections Fellow Kevin Adkisson, and Center board members.

Highgate was built in 1914 by Frank H. Whelden, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Detroit-Star Grinding Wheel Company on the former Tibbals family farm east of Cranbrook on Lone Pine Road. In 1923, the house was purchased by Ralph Lane Polk II, who also acquired the four acres behind the home to expand the gardens into a park-like setting overlooking Endicott Lake. In the living room hangs the large 1947 painting, "Polk Pleasure Map of Bloomfield Hills," a lively depiction of the City of Bloomfield Hills: homes, churches, clubs, and, of course, Cranbrook.

This item has been generously donated by Stephen and Bobbi Polk.



Photography by Kevin Adkisson

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Tour and Summer Soiree with Bruce and Kimberly Peterson in Mies van der Rohe's Lafayette Park

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

13 GUESTS

AUGUST—OCTOBER 2018*

STARTING BID: \$2400.00

Explore Mies van der Rohe's modernist icon Lafayette Park with Bruce Peterson, Chairman of Cranbrook's Board of Trustees, and his wife Kimberly, on a tour of the complex followed by a summer soiree in their Mies-designed townhouse. Resident historian Neil McEachern will begin your tour in his own artfully outfitted Lafayette Park townhouse, then proceed up to a lovely 16th floor unit in the 1300 Lafayette East Cooperative tower. After recounting the history of the area and how it relates to downtown, Neil will take the group back down to tour an important, art-filled courtyard home before the Peterson's townhouse.

The tour concludes at Bruce and Kimberly's townhouse, where you will enjoy cocktails and a dinner using ingredients sourced from local Detroit farms. The Petersons were very intentional in decorating their new Lafayette Park townhouse, using many objects that come out of the Cranbrook tradition in furniture and art.

Completed between 1955 and 1963, Lafayette Park was planned as a Modernist urban renewal housing development. Urban planner Ludwig Hilberseimer collaborated with architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe and landscape architect Alfred Caldwell to bring modern, affordable housing for families to downtown Detroit. Lafayette Park has become a mecca for those passionate about midcentury architecture and planning.

This item has been generously donated by Bruce and Kimberly Peterson.

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Photography by James Haefner



A Night on the Grounds of Fallingwater

MILL RUN, PENNSYLVANIA
2 GUESTS
JULY 2018—JUNE 2019 *

STARTING BID: \$1000.00

Fall in love with Frank Lloyd Wright's masterpiece Fallingwater. This private, in-depth tour of Wright's iconic design includes an overnight stay in a historic log cabin on the Fallingwater estate. This experience promises to give you and a guest a deeper understanding of what Wright created with his 1936 masterwork of organic architecture. Your personal guide will interpret Fallingwater in its many contexts: historical, architectural, and the relationship between the house and surrounding landscape.

Fallingwater was built as the weekend home for Pittsburgh department store owner Edgar J. Kaufman and his family. Dramatically cantilevered over a waterfall, the concrete and stone house reflects Wright's passion for bringing harmony between man and nature. The National Historic Landmark building is consistently ranked among the world's most significant works of architecture.

This package was generously donated by the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. Children under nine years old, including infants and toddlers, are not permitted on this tour.



Courtesy of Fallingwater

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Cranbrook's Gems: A Day with Kevin Adkisson

12 GUESTS
JULY 2018—JUNE 2019

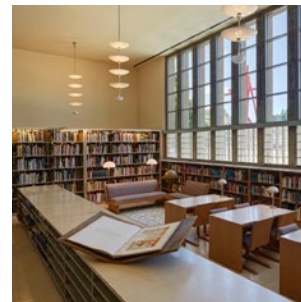
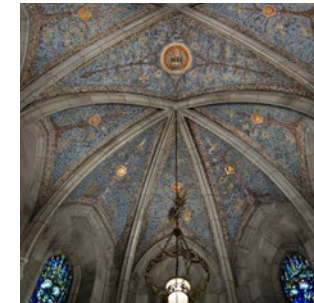
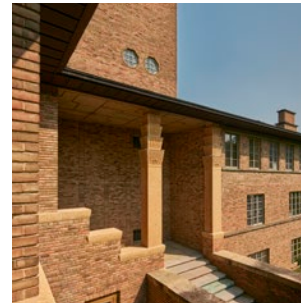
STARTING BID: NO MINIMUM; NO MAXIMUM!

Think you know Cranbrook? See it with fresh perspective and dizzying detail on an individually customized, private tour of Cranbrook's campus architecture, landscape, and design with the Center's very own esteemed Collections Fellow, Kevin Adkisson. Working directly with Kevin, you'll have the rare opportunity to custom design a full day tour of the magnificent Cranbrook buildings, grounds, and collections. Kevin's extensive knowledge of the campus, combined with his passion for architecture and design and exuberant story-telling, will ensure a memorable day.

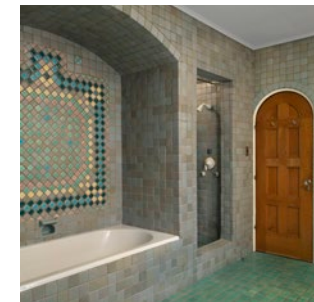
Kevin has been the Center Collections Fellow since August 2016. He studied architecture at Yale (where he lived in Eero Saarinen's Morse College) and decorative arts at the University of Delaware's Winterthur Program in American Material Culture. Previously, Kevin worked for Robert A.M. Stern Architects in New York as a research and writing associate and at Kent Bloomer Studio in New Haven, where he designed and fabricated architectural ornament.



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