

The Build Africa Ball 2014

25.06.14 - One Mayfair

Welcome



I am delighted to welcome you all to the first ever Build Africa Ball, and to thank you for your support. Build Africa works in remote areas of Kenya and Uganda providing education and financial support to communities through their 'Build a School' and 'Build an Income' programmes.

Over 100 schools have been built or refurbished. These provide modern and well-equipped classrooms with adequate toilet facilities. Together with comprehensive teacher training packages and livelihood projects such as savings and loan schemes, Build Africa's programmes significantly improve the lives of school children and their families for the long-term.

We have made fantastic progress but so much more needs to be done. We pride ourselves on our efficiency, but more funds are required to support this great work. We are extremely grateful to our loyal, long-standing donors and to those who have already supported our event tonight. Many donors have also taken the time to visit our schools, interact with the children and to encourage local staff. These visits are extremely valuable as they significantly enrich our programmes.

My heartfelt thanks go to tonight's organising committee. They are a highly dedicated and motivated group who have worked tirelessly to provide all the elements that have culminated in this wonderful, black-tie gala.

Our greatest wish is that many more lives will be transformed in rural parts of Africa through Build Africa's work. Thank you in advance for your generosity and I hope you have a most enjoyable evening.

Dr Modupe Odunsi

Chair

The Build Africa Ball Committee

With thanks to the fundraising and events committee:

Dr Dupe Odunsi (Chair) / Alexia Florman / Antonio Gatti / Peter Harrison / Rachel Harrison / Nina Jani / Parul Kanji / Deborah Mearns / Ngozi Nnenna Orji / Ambra Paternò Castello / Emira Socorro / Melanie St John / Beth van der Eems / Andrew White

Silent Auction

ART & PHOTOGRAPHY CONTINUED

60. Antoinette Eugster Photographic Portrait

One person or family will have a photographic portrait session for a child, family or pet lasting approximately two hours. You will receive a disc containing all the images from the session as well as a 10x8 print of the image of your choice.

To be arranged on a mutually convenient date before 25th June 2015 subject to availability. Shoot location must be within the M25.

Kindly donated by Antoinette Eugster





61. Annie Armitage Family Photoshoot

Family lifestyle photography shoot prize by photographer Annie Armitage which includes a pre-shoot visit to meet the family, a one to two and a half hour photography shoot at your home and a favourite outside space nearby, editing and post production, viewing of around 60 images approximately a week after the shoot, an online gallery for 10 days for family and friends to view once you have received your order and a bespoke framed 10 x 8" print worth £165 or credit towards product.

Annie is one of the UK's leading family lifestyle photographers and based in Kingston upon Thames. As an 'on location' photographer her family work produces a wide range of images covering pregnancy, babies, under-fives, older children, and teenagers. Her main aim is to capture families enjoying moments together and create memories through her photography which will be passed from generation to generation.

To be arranged on a mutually convenient date before 25th December 2014 subject to availability. Family home location must be within 15 miles of Kingston and outside location must be within two miles of family home.

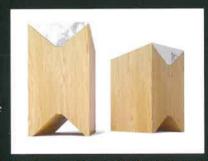
Kindly donated by Annie Armitage

HOME

62. Cross-Section Side Tables

Two 'Cross-Section' side tables by Silvia Stella Galimberti, founder of Arch Nouveau studio. The Cross-Section side tables are suitable for the living room, study or bedroom. The object combines the simplicity of two pure and noble materials: Carrara solid marble and Slavonian solid oak, the principle of essentiality of these two materials was maintained even in processing and assembly criteria, eliminating any artificial support that is not attributable to the materials themselves.

Kindly donated by Silvia Stella Galimberti







63. Create Your Home

One guest will benefit from a Decorcafe "create YOUR home" workshop series of four two hour workshops. You will find your style, colour palette, layout and lighting and bring it all together in your own mood board.

Relaxed and friendly, the course combines interior design principles with the practical skills of experienced home makers to help you to create a home that really suits you and the way you choose to live. Courses take place in Putney in term time.

Valid until 25th June 2015 subject to availability. Course dates for workshop series to be confirmed. Once confirmed, these are non-transferable.

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