



You Are Invited...

... to Steppingstone's 30th Annual Benefit Auction, "Cherry Blossom Time". The 2023 Annual Benefit Auction Fundraiser will be an in-person event. Every person must come prepared to show proof of full Covid vaccination.

Tickets

\$ 70.00 Individual Tickets
\$ 650.00 Table for Ten (1 free admission)

I would like to purchase:

_____ Individual admission/s \$ _____
 _____ Table(s) for Ten \$ _____
TOTAL PRICE \$ _____

I would like to pay by:

_____ Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card

To use Visa or MasterCard, please provide the following:

Card #: _____

Exp. Date: ____/____/____ V-Code*: _____

* V-Code is the 3-digit number on the back of most cards.

Address: _____

Tickets are **NOT REFUNDABLE**; however, if you give written notice to Steppingstone that you are unable to use your purchased admissions tickets on or before **FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023**,

we will consider the amount you paid a donation and will issue a tax letter. Receipts will be provided for all item donations, advertisements, and sponsorship. We thank you and appreciate your continued support!

Auction Keepsake Catalog: Business or Tribute Ads

Steppingstone commemorates our Auction event with a Keepsake Catalog highlighting special auction items and recognizing our students with Tribute ads. Donors will be acknowledged in our Auction Keepsake Catalog and weekly school newsletters; however, we will also honor requests for anonymity.

Price	Ad Placement
<input type="checkbox"/> \$750	Outside back cover (7.5 x 10 color)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	Inside front cover (7.5 x 10 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	Inside back cover (7.5 x 10 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$400	Full-page (7.5 x 10 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	Half-page (7.5 x 5 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	Quarter-page (3.75 x 5 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 75	Business Card (2 x 3.75 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 60	Large Student Tribute (3.75 x 5 b/w)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 30	Small Student Tribute (2 x 3.75 b/w)

Please attach your business card or email your file to auction@steppingstoneschool.org. Ads should be in Black & White, 133-line screen, 300 or better DPI. Please identify how your images are saved (i.e. .pdf or .tiff are preferred) and the software used to create the ad. Send electronic file on a CD-ROM that is PC-formatted. Ads are due by **FRIDAY MARCH 3, 2023**.

Donations are tax-deductible (EIN #38-2377598) as a contribution to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt educational institution as far as the law allows. Details regarding your particular situation should be checked with your tax advisor.

Non-discrimination Statement Steppingstone is an ISACS accredited, independent state-approved 501(c)(3) non-profit elementary school (young K-8) for gifted students. Steppingstone does not discriminate based on race, color, creed, gender, religion, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of any school policy or program.

Sponsors

I will help Steppingstone provide the opportunity for gifted students to reach their full potential by donating at the following level:

- \$5,000 and up Platinum Key Sponsor
- \$3,000 to \$4,999 Gold Key Sponsor
- \$2,000 to \$2,999 Silver Key Sponsor
- \$1,000 to \$1,999 Bronze Key Sponsor
- \$600 to \$999 Pewter Key Sponsor
- _____ General Sponsor

Donor Receipt

Auction Donor Information

Donor Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Print name of Steppingstone Rep _____ Date _____

Item(s) – See form on reverse

Business Ad \$ _____

Tribute Ad \$ _____

BUSINESS/STUDENT TRIBUTE AD:

Purchase _____ inch ad/tribute

Sponsorship \$ _____

Tickets \$ _____

TOTAL PRICE:

\$ _____

Pledges, donations, or Auction Keepsake Catalog copy received after **Friday March 3, 2023**, may miss the print deadline, but still will be gratefully accepted and acknowledged in our weekly newsletter and may be printed in our Auction insert.

Contact: **JASON RODER** if you have questions
248-957-8200

Steppingstone School for Gifted Education
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Email: auction@steppingstoneschool.org

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Please return this portion to Steppingstone
Auction Item Information

Donor Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Item and Description

Estimated Value \$ _____

Minimum Bid \$ _____

Item attached

Item may be picked up (provide details below)

Item will be dropped off / Date: _____

Other instructions _____

X _____

Authorization Signature

Date

Tangible objects donated for auction MUST be new items, authentic antiques, art, or artifacts. Service and gift certificates donated for Auction MUST be from reputable sources. The Steering Committee believes that the guidelines for donations are clear. Final decisions regarding the suitability of auction items will be at the discretion of the Steering Committee.

About Steppingstone School

Steppingstone School, The Center for Gifted Education, has served Michigan students since 1981, believing that every student, including the gifted, deserves a satisfying, challenging, and joyful education. Gifted learners are under-served and at-risk without differentiated and integrated learning. Incorporating critical thinking and problem solving based on individual abilities among age peers, keeps the gifted student engaged, functioning well and able to maximize his/her potential contributions to self and society.

Committed to addressing the academic, intellectual, physical, social and emotional needs of gifted students, Young-K through Grade-8, students are challenged with the next level of instruction as soon as they reach mastery of subject matter. As a result, our average student studies math two grades above level and reading 2-5 grades above level. This atypically rapid pace with time for special interest studies, unlocks the gifts and the joy often trapped by traditional school structures.

Supplemental coursework is offered in music/performing arts, computer programming, foreign languages, community service, fencing, and swimming. In addition to basic skills, Steppingstone provides a home for the Steppingstone MAgnetic Resonance Training

(SMART) Center. The only one of its kind, the SMART Center provides training and access to an authentic research laboratory experience with Electron Spin Resonance instrumentation plus data collection and analysis equipment normally available only to graduate students at major universities.

Steppingstone has the only independent, educational program in southeast Michigan that is solely focused on serving the needs of students who have performed in the gifted range according to an individually administered IQ evaluation.

Sincerely,
Kiyo Morse
Head of School

Steppingstone School
for Gifted Education

Presents



30th Annual Benefit Auction

Saturday April 1, 2023
6:00 pm – midnight

St. Mary's Cultural Center
180100 Merriman Rd.
Livonia, MI 48152

www.steppingstoneschool.org