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Dear Friends of the MFA,

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, is pleased to present the 2012 Give the Arts a Chance benefit drawing package. Coordinated by the MFA Associates to coincide with Art in Bloom—our annual celebration of fresh flowers and fine art—this Museum fundraiser is in its thirtieth year.

Thanks to our prize donors, you can enter to win fine art, resort getaways, box seats to Red Sox games, and more. Please take a look—and take a chance (or more)—for the MFA.

Vital proceeds from Give the Arts a Chance support the MFA's operating budget and provide endowment funds for Museum programs and outreach, including film and video, and Memorial Day Open House.

Art in Bloom, April 28–30, 2012, includes a wide variety of programming in conjunction with this signature event: a floral demonstration and lecture with noted floral artist Paula Pryke (tickets required), master classes with Paula Pryke (tickets required), Family Day, Members' Night, Elegant Tea, and an Open House. In addition, enjoy complimentary floral-arranging demonstrations and ongoing tours of collection highlights paired with floral arrangements. Check out www.mfa.org/artinbloom for more details.

We hope you will join us in celebrating spring at the MFA.

Sue Dadd

Chair, Give the Arts a Chance, 2012

GIVE THE ARTS A CHANCE 2012

A Benefit Drawing to Support the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, is delighted to send you information about its Give the Arts a Chance 2012 benefit drawing. We invite you to participate. Please indicate your choice of prize(s) by marking the coupons with the letters next to the prize description. If no prize preference is indicated, coupons will be entered randomly. You may enter as often as you wish. Proceeds from this benefit help support all of the MFA's daily operations and provide funding for important community programs.

Please separate the individual coupons and send them with your contribution, either by charge or check (payable to the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston), in the enclosed reply envelope to:

GIVE THE ARTS A CHANCE 2012
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
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465 Huntington Avenue
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There is no obligation to make a tax-deductible contribution to enter, but we hope you will respond generously. Entries must be received prior to the drawing, which will take place at the MFA on April 30, 2012. You need not be present to win; the lucky winners will be notified and will have one week to acknowledge their acceptance.

Prizes need to be claimed before June 4, 2012; the winner is responsible for collecting the prize or arranging for shipment. Prizes are not redeemable for cash, and substitution of prizes is not possible.

Any taxes on prizes are the full responsibility of the prize winners. The IRS requires the Museum to withhold at the rate of 28% for prizes exceeding \$5,000.

Employees of the Museum and their families are not eligible for the Give the Arts a Chance 2012 benefit drawing.



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COVER: Robert Freeman, *Black Tie*, 1981. Oil on canvas. Gift of Kate and Newell Flather, Alice Flather, and Newell Flather II. Reproduced with permission. G FINE DINING: Frank Weston Benson, *The Silver Screen* (detail), 1921. Oil on canvas. A. Shuman Collection. F RARE PRIVILEGE: John Singleton Copley, *Nathaniel Sparhawk*, 1764. Oil on canvas. Charles H. Bayley Picture and Painting Fund.
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A

AL FRESCO AMBIENCE
Seat your guests elegantly around a Bellagio 48-inch table with four chairs. Made of solid sand-cast aluminum, this set needs no maintenance and endures season after season. Stay warm on cool New England nights with an outdoor wood-burning 30-inch copper fire pot, crafted of a solid copper bowl with wrought-iron legs. Offered by Seasons Four of Lexington. Value: \$2,328



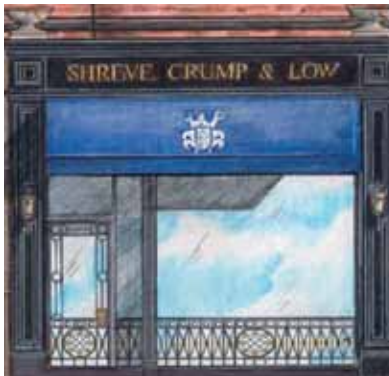
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CONTEMPORARY CRAFTSMANSHIP
Display this spectacular Zulu beer pot, created about 40 years ago. Coil built and open-pit fired, it has been enhanced with intricate designs. Historically these pots were used to share sorghum beer as part of social events in rural areas of South Africa. Donated by Pucker Gallery of Newbury Street. Dimensions 11 x 14 x 14 inches. Value: \$1,800



C

JEWELRY SPREE
Splurge on a jewelry-shopping spree at America's oldest fine jeweler, Shreve, Crump & Low. Courtesy of a generous gift certificate, the winner may select items from among the store's three locations: Chestnut Hill, Nantucket, and their new location on Boston's storied Newbury Street. Value: \$2,000



D

BEST OF BOSTON
Luxuriate at Boston's five-star hotel, Boston Harbor Hotel: two weekend nights for two in a Harborview accommodation. Attend performances by Huntington Theatre Company: four premium-seat tickets, two each for two productions in the 2012/13 season. Revisit Boston's history, courtesy of a private Freedom Trail tour for up to 12. Value: \$2,034





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VIBRANT CITYSCAPE

Painted by the contemporary Lebanese-born Canadian artist Samir Sammoun, *Inspiration 1* was inspired by a Beacon Hill townhouse admired by Sammoun on one of his many visits to Boston. The artist's unique style and technique create an illusion of light emanating from the canvas. Offered by Galerie d'Orsay of Newbury Street. Oil on canvas. Framed dimensions: 24 x 20 inches. Value: \$3,250



F

RARE PRIVILEGE

Explore The New MFA with a one-year Patron membership for two, including invitations to exclusive receptions and behind-the-scenes visits. Join Erica Hirshler, Croll Senior Curator of American Painting and author, for a private tour for eight in the Art of the Americas Wing, and receive a copy of her book, *Sargent's Daughters*. Enjoy lunch for eight in Bravo, the Museum's premier dining venue. Value: \$3,320

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FINE DINING: 11 LOCATIONS

Enjoy dinner for two at these fine Boston-area restaurants: Alta Strada, Bistro du Midi, Deuxave, The Fireplace, Island Creek Oyster Bar, La Morra, Lucca, Sorellina, Taranta, Towne Stove and Spirits, Upstairs on the Square. Value: \$1,500



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RED SOX NATION

Play ball! Cheer on the Sox from four field box seats behind home plate at four Sunday games—16 tickets in all. Prior to each game, complimentary parking and admission for four to the MFA are included.

Game dates: July 8, July 22, August 5, and August 26. Value: \$2,600



I

BERMUDA HIGH

Steal away to the elegant Rosewood Tucker's Point Hotel & Spa, a full-service luxury resort overlooking Castle Harbour and the Atlantic Ocean on the blissful island of Bermuda. Win three nights for two in a Superior room. Enjoy the breezes by the pool or indulge in unlimited golf. Just 90 minutes by air from Boston (airfare not included). Value: \$3,000



J

BESPOKE BLOOMS

Festoon your home on six occasions with spectacular floral arrangements. The MFA's own celebrated flower arrangers collaborate with you to create custom designs—a truly special touch to enhance your home décor. In addition to a pair of admission tickets to the Museum, you receive two tickets to the 2013 Art in Bloom guest lectures, featuring masters of the fine art of floral arranging. Value: \$1,614



K

ART NOUVEAU GEM

Add a note of 1890s sophistication to your home with this lovely poster by American Impressionist J. H. Twachtman. The design was created for the cover and poster for the classic 1896 American novel *The Damnation of Theron Ware* by Harold Frederic. Twachtman is renowned for his landscapes; this beautiful portrait is his only known lithographic poster design. Donated by Boston's International Poster Gallery on Newbury Street. Color lithograph backed on linen. Framed dimensions: 15 ¼ x 23 ¼ inches. Value: \$2,300

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