

1. Ile St. Louis – Paris Apartment

Luxuriate for a 1–3 week stay in this one-bedroom apartment, only three doors away from the Seine. Hear the Sunday morning bells of Notre Dame two blocks away; sleeps 1–3. \$2,000/week value; opening bid: \$1,200/week

2. One week stay in Harbor Country, IN, summerhouse

Bucolic setting on five wooded acres and open prairie; 4 BR/3B; full amenities. June or July (except July 4th weekend). \$900 value; opening bid: \$550

3. Private tour of treasures from the Newberry Library's Dance Collection

Behind-the-scenes tour for up to five, including Anna Pavlova's pointe shoes, 17th century country dance notation, and original film clips of dance stars from the past. Additional materials added at bidder's request. Tour led by Newberry curator and librarian and HPSD artistic director August Tye. \$750 value; opening bid: \$200

4. Certificate to a studio art class at the Hyde Park Art Center

Tap your creative spirit by taking any 10-week course offered in 2008. \$270 value; opening bid: \$100

5. Two roundtrip airline tickets to anywhere in the continental U.S. (United or American Airlines)

Indulge your wanderlust with your best beloved. \$1,000 value; opening bid: \$400.

6. One-of-a-kind, handmade quilt made from vintage Hyde Park School of Ballet t-shirts

The perfect memento for a graduating or soon-to-be graduating dancer. PRICELESS; opening bid: \$80

7. Joffrey Ballet Company Delight

Signed pointe shoes from Maia Wilkins, a copy of the Joffrey's 50th Anniversary book, and two tickets for the Fall 2008 season. \$250 value; opening bid: \$125

8. Antique silver Siamese bracelet

Each link depicts a different pose from classical Siamese dance. \$250 value; opening bid: \$50

9. Four scroll paintings in the ancient style by modern Shanghai artist

Hang these magnificent scrolls separately or as an impressive grouping. \$200 value; opening bid: \$100

10. Lincoln Park Zoo Family Package

Begin your family day at the Zoo with "Exploring Ape Behavior," a 90-minute class for your family of four; after enjoying your box lunch, take a personalized guided tour of the primate houses with Sue Margulis, Curator of Primates. \$250 value; opening bid: \$80

11. Bowling party for 10 at Seven Ten Lanes – Hyde Park

Eat (sandwiches and appetizers), drink (sodas), and be merry at the lanes. \$200 value; opening bid: \$100

12. Ready-to-Go Picnic

All you need for a picnic at Millennium Park—a gift certificate for yummys from Hyde Park Produce, a bottle of wine, and a picnic tote filled with necessities from Freehling Pots and Pans. \$125 value; opening bid: \$60

13. August Tye photograph of Aimee Tye in Spirit Trail and signed Aimee Tye pointe shoes

To commemorate Aimee's performance at the Level 41 Gala. PRICELESS; opening bid: \$80

14. One-year family membership to Brookfield Zoo

2008 is the Year of the Frog, but don't forget to visit the elephants, walrus, and baby camels, and catch the world famous dolphin show! \$101 value; opening bid: \$45

15. Ballet bag & accessories from Leo's and Motion Unlimited

A grab bag of goodies and dance essentials for the intermediate/advanced dancer. \$125 value; opening bid: \$40

16. Decorative porcelain plate from up-and-coming Shanghai artist

Display this delicate and colorful plate on your mantelpiece or other place of honor. \$100 value; opening bid: \$50

17. Unique ethnic necklace

A distinctive work of art that combines traditional with modern by interspersing African prayer beads and Lithuanian amber \$100 value; opening bid: \$35

18. Rice wine service for ten from China (rice wine included!)

Wow your book group or quilting party by serving wine in authentic Chinese style. \$65 value; opening bid: \$20

19. Vase ensemble by Hyde Park artisan John Q. Easton

A rich yet subtle Chinese-inspired green glaze adorns this distinctive pairing of vases. \$85 value; opening bid: \$25

20. Private ballet lesson (up to four students) with HPSD faculty member Allyson Ratliff

Refine your plié or pirouette under the careful eye and expertise of Allyson. PRICELESS; opening bid: \$35

21. Custom-made portable ballet barre and CD of barre music from The Metropolitan Opera

Deceptively lightweight, this barre will be made to order to fit your dancer's height. \$70 value; opening bid: \$25

22. Luxury gift basket from Spa Space

It's always a good idea to pamper yourself or your favorite dancer. \$150 value; opening bid: \$75

23. Unglazed porcelain teapot and matching cups and saucers from China

Nowhere this side of the Pacific will you find a more exquisite tea service. \$60 value; suggested opening bid: \$15

24. Bin filled with ballet dress-up clothes

Costumes from HPSD and a \$25 gift certificate from Toys Etc. will help you fill this colorful bin of imagination-inspiring costumes for your younger dancer and her friends. \$75 value; opening bid \$35.

25. Ballroom dance lessons at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio

Meet the dance partner of your dreams with these two private and one group dance lessons. (New student only.) \$225 value; opening bid: \$50

26. Four tickets to see the White Sox on Friday, June 13, 2008

The White Sox vs. the Colorado Rockies, (7:11 p.m. game time). \$168 value (if you could get them!); opening bid: \$80

27. Gift Certificate to Chant Restaurant

Pan Asian delicacies to tempt your palate at Chant on 53rd Street. \$50 value; opening bid \$25

28. Jewelry from Via Mia Designs

Exquisite! Jasper and Japanese sea bead necklace with matching earrings. \$200 value; opening bid: \$100

29. Gift certificate to Park 52, Hyde Park's newest restaurant

Hyde Park's hottest new upscale eatery beckons you. Don't forget to call for a reservation! \$100 value; opening bid: \$50

Auction Rules

1. Each item will have a bid sheet at the silent auction table. The initial bid shall not be less than the minimum bid indicated here and on the bid sheet.
2. Each succeeding bid must equal or exceed the required increment on the bid sheet.
3. All bids are binding. There will be no refunds.
4. Unless otherwise indicated, all auction items and services must be used within one year of the date of the auction. Dates and times for applicable items are to be arranged at the mutual convenience of the donor and winning bidder.

Payment Information

1. All items purchased must be paid for in full on May 29, 2008.
2. Cash or checks made payable to the Hyde Park School of Dance will be accepted. Sorry, no credit cards.