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# Leonardo DiCaprio Hosts Spectacular Celebrity Auction in St. Tropez to Benefit the Planet



The Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation will have their third annual gala at the Domaine Bertaud Belieu vineyard in St. Tropez, France this month, and will once again feature an outrageous lot of auction items filled with historic celebrity memorabilia, extensive contemporary art and exotic travel experiences. The major charity event raises funds to protect Earth's last wild place, implement solutions that restore balance to threatened ecosystems and ensure the longterm health and wellbeing of all its inhabitants. This year's occasion will be cohosted by the Oscar-winning actor and prolific environmentalist Leonardo DiCaprio, the foundation's global chair Milutin Gatsby and

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new chief executive officer Terry Tamminen.



Event chairs include Cate Blanchett, Marion Cotillard, Boris Collardi, Philippe Cousteau, Jr., Penelope Cruz, Robert De Niro, Jonah Hill, Kate Hudson, Scarlett Johansson, Tobey Maguire, Edward Norton, Caroline Scheufele, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Kevin Spacey and Charlize Theron. This year's event will honor H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco for his legacy of environmental conservation and include performances by The Weeknd, Lana Del Rey and special guest Andrea Bocelli. The Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation announced this week its largest-ever portfolio of environmental grants, increasing the organization's total direct financial impact to over \$59 million since 1998. \$15.6 million in grants have been awarded for wildlife and habitat conservation, to aid in the defense of indigenous rights, and to support innovative grass roots efforts aimed at combating climate change and solving complex environmental issues. These grants support the work of LDF partners which range from major environmental conservation organizations to local partners who are fighting to protect and defend vital ecosystems and species that are gravely impacted by the global environmental crisis caused by climate change. After a period of rapid grant making and to achieve further



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global impact of its environmental mission, LDF has appointed esteemed environmental consultant Terry Tamminen as CEO. Tamminen will oversee operations, the implementation of a new comprehensive climate change action plan, and numerous global environmental and climate change initiatives. He will report directly to Leonardo DiCaprio. The enormous assortment of auction items up for grabs this year included;



**LEONARDO DICAPRIO ROLEX 18k WHITE GOLD DAYTONA** Black dial with diamond set indexes, tachymeter bezel and sub dials at 3-6 and 9. Watch is on a black crocodile Rolex strap with white gold flip lock deployment clasp. Engraved with "Best, Leo".



**CHOPARD'S ANIMAL WORLD COLLECTION / LUMINOUS JELLYFISH EARRINGS** The remarkable earrings feature iridescent white opals with articulated tentacles pave set with diamonds and sapphires.



**DICAPRIO'S DIAMOND STUDDED OSCAR CUFF LINKS** Established jewelry, Circle Surface Cuff Links, 18k White Gold with diamonds, Outer rim diameter: 16.5mm and Diamond rim diameter: 14mm. 2.25 Carats per set.



**THE REVENANT ESSENTIALS FROM THE FILM** Fur trapper Hugh Glass could survive anywhere without anything, but in the Academy Award winning film "The Revenant" we see that a canteen, blanket and knife belt are life's true essentials.



**CLASSIC 1950 JAGUAR MARK V DROPHEAD SIGNED BY A LIST STARS** A true classic Jaguar signed by the most wellknown names in Hollywood including; Channing Tatum, Robert DeNiro, Mark Walhberg, Orlando Bloom, Ben Affleck, Robert Downey Jr., Tom Hanks, Jonah Hill, Angelina Jolie, Brad Pitt, Charlize Theron, Justin Timberlake and more.



**SPEND A WEEK ON SET WITH MARTIN SCORSESE, DENIRO AND PACINO** The extraordinary opportunity to spend a week observing Academy Award winning director Martin Scorsese on the set of his new movie "The Irishman" starring Robert DeNiro and Al Pacino. Filming is slated to begin in Spring 2017 in New York.



**PRIVATE AT HOME THEATER PERFORMANCE BY KEVIN SPACEY** A truly unprecedented opportunity to have Kevin Spacey give a live performance in your home for you and your friends. An intimate half-hour selection of material uniquely selected and curated.



PRIVATE GAME OF TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER WITH EDWARD NORTON AND JONAH HILL Join 3-time Academy Award nominated actor Edward Norton along with his good friend and Academy Award nominee Jonah Hill AND top poker professionals in an exclusive game of no-limit Texas Hold' Em. You will receive coaching from one of the world's best poker players and hear stories over dinner. CLOSE THE EIFFEL TOWER FOR PRIVATE DINNER FOR YOU AND FRIENDS Recognized throughout the world as the most iconic symbol of France, the Eiffel Tower will be made completely private just for you. An incredible opportunity and the first time in history that the Eiffel Tower is to be made private for the winner and their friends

and family. You will be treated to a dinner party at one of the celebrated restaurants as well as push the button to illuminate the tower with a special environmental message from Leonardo DiCaprio. **ATTEND THE U.S. OPEN WITH LEONARDO DICAPRIO** You and a guest will be DiCaprio's personal guests in a private box for the sports event of the year: The U.S. Open Men's Final. Taking place September 11<sup>th</sup>, this package gives you access to the most coveted seats at the U.S. Open.



HISTORIC TRIP TO THE THREE POLES Winner will have the opportunity to fly to the high Arctic and then fly further with a helicopter to the North Pole together with famous explorer and North Pole expert Johan Ernst Nilson. Winner will spend the night on the North Pole and fly further to an ice camp to meet polar scientists who will talk about climate change in the Arctic. Then fly back to Svalbard Island to visit research stations and go on a dogsled safari to watch polar bears in the wild. This may be the last chance in history to ever visit the North Pole in daylight. The South Pole: The West Antarctic Peninsula is one of the fastest-warming areas on Earth. The sea ice is decreasing, with measurable impacts on wildlife. The winner of this unique journey will experience the nature, science and adventure of this beautiful and cold part of the world. And finally, during one week you will have the unique opportunity to fly into the famous Mt. Everest Death Zone with explorer and Everest summiteer Johan Ernst Nilson. The wind can blow over 200 mph and the temperature can be -80°F so it's important to find a window where the weather and winds are good. A SPECIAL PRIVATE EVENING

WITH ANDREA BOCELLI This is a oncein-a-lifetime opportunity to spend an evening with the world's most beloved tenor, Andrea Bocelli. The experience for up to 50 of your friends will include a unique Italian atmosphere amid music, wine and friends in a location to be confirmed with the winner. JOIN HSH PRINCE ALBERT II OF MONACO FOR AN EXCLUSIVE **EXPERIENCE IN MONACO** This is a rare opportunity to experience the Principality of Monaco's finest treasures, as curated by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco and his Foundation. To enjoy your stay you will have accommodations at the iconic Hotel Hermitage in Monte-Carlo. Your visit will start with an exclusive visit to the Prince's Palace with privileged access to its state-rooms and the Grimaldi's famed collections. After a lunch by the Mediterranean at the private Yacht Club of Monaco, enjoy a memorable open air concert of the Monte-Carlo Philharmonic Orchestra in the prestigious Cour d'Honneur of the Palace, from the finest seat possible- the Prince's box in the presence of His Serence Highness. After the concert you will join a private reception in the Palace's gardens.



PABLO PICASSO – FEMME ASSISE 1949, 65 x 50 cm, Oil on Canvas "Femme Assise" reflects a critical moment of Picasso's visual development that took place in the late 1940's, while also referencing a number of personal influences. The painting was rendered when his partner, Françoise Gilot, was pregnant with their daughter, Paloma. During this period Picasso often used rich yellows, reds, blues and greens in celebration of the impending miracle of birth.



PABLO PICASSO – TROIS POISSONS

Vallauris, undated (1947-1948), 32 x 38 cm, White earthenware, engraved and painted with slips, glazed Picasso (along with Georges Braque) is credited with the evolution of Cubism, from Analytic to Synthetic. In the postwar years until the very end of his life, Picasso continued to experiment in multiple mediums, including ceramics.



JEFF KOONS - GAZING BALL 2014-2015, 176 x 136 x 38 cm, Oil on canvas, glass and aluminium In his Gazing Ball series, Koons is in dialogue with artists of the past, such as Titian, El Greco, Courbet, and Manet, among others. The works deal with the power of artistic gesture. Each work has a blue glass gazing ball that sits on a painted aluminum shelf attached to the front of the painting. The viewer and the painting are reflected in the gazing ball. This metaphysical occurrence connects the viewer to a family of cultural history in real time. Through the simple act of placing a gazing ball in front of the images, painting and sculpture are reunited for maximum sensory perception, as in ancient times.



**DAMIEN HIRST – LOOKING AWAY** 2016, 83.5 x 213.4 cm, Household gloss on canvas Hirst's first experiments with spin art date from 1992, with the series beginning in earnest in 1994. The spin paintings, one of his most iconic series, are characterized by their elongated titles (which all begin 'Beautiful') and their bright colors. The artist describes the spins as "childish ... in the positive sense of the word". The paintings explore the idea of an imaginary, mechanical painter, the results controlled purely by the artist's color choices and the motion of the machine. This painting is one of a small number Hirst has made featuring portraits of renowned figures.



**ADRIEN BRODY- TIGER ON LAST LEGS** 2016, 122 x 152 cm, Charcoal and acrylic on canvas Oscar-winning actor Adrien Brody was the unexpected celebrity art star of Art Basel in Miami Beach 2015. He debuted a series of pop art paintings entitled "Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Handguns" during the annual art fair. Brody's most recent series is entitled "Hooked." This series, mostly fish related, references our culture's evolution to being "hooked" on convenience and instant gratification, and also has an environmental component.



**TERMINATOR GENISYS ENDO SKULL** Arnold Schwarzenegger may have the soul of an environmentalist, but as we have discovered, underneath the skin of the Terminator is a robotic T800. This is the chance toown an Oversize T800 Endo Skull from the film *Terminator Genisys*, complete with glowing red eyes. One of just three made by Legacy Effects- the company that designed all Terminator skeletons, this is a true piece of movie history!





ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER'S CONAN THE BARBARIAN SWORD Immortalized by Arnold Schwarzenegger, Conan the Barbarian trusted no one but his sword. This limited edition sword was cast from the original studio molds, and the blade was made under the supervision of the original maker Jody Samson. Presented in a custom wooden box signed by Arnold Schwarzenegger, this piece of movie legend is ready to be displayed... or used!



**ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER'S HUMIDOR, CIGARS, AND ULTIMATE AMERICAN BOOTS** This extremely rare and never sold limited edition humidor is hand crated by Cigar Aficionado's No. 1 rated humidor designer in the world, Daniel Marshall, and includes a special seal for the Governor of California. This one-of-a-kind

humidor includes the Governor of California's seal and is personally signed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. A truly unique collector's piece, the humidor is filled with special edition Arnold Schwarzenegger signature Daniel Marshall Red Label Churchill cigars, two DM 24 karat golden torpedos and Davidoff special "R" Cigars. To complement the special cigars, Arnold Schwarzenegger has also offered his patriotic Lucchese leather boots which were custom designed for his use. These size 12.5 boots have been worn and loved by the Governor, who is willing to part with them to complement this incredible Humidor and Arnold Schwarzenegger cigar set.



#### TWO UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY FIAT ELECTRIC CARS

Garage Italia Customs and FCA have created two completely personalised electric Fiat 500s to serve as symbols of the importance of protecting life on earth. The "Arctic/Antarctic" car was conceived by Garage Italia Customs to highlight the problem of global warming. Garage Italia Customs used a special film finish to realize the polar animals and treated the bodywork with thermochromic varnish so that when the external temperature rises, the polar animals gradually disappear, reappearing only when the temperature drops. The second car displays an external film representing the Indian jungle with hiding animals. The films are 3M green certificate and were printed with ecological latex. The interiors of both vehicles were conceived using the same criteria of highlighting a respect of nature. Both interiors use entirely ecosustainable materials that are natural and vegan.



**TWO OF BONO'S PERSONAL GUITARS** Bono is a dedicated environmentalist and he donated this package which includes his legendary "Irish Falcon" Gretch guitar – an incredibly rare guitar in a rich evergreen color. Bono personally customized this guitar to include FilterTron pickups and gold hardware. This special guitar also includes Bono's signature at the 12th fret position. The second guitar is a true classic – a Fender Kingman acoustic guitar – which is signed by Bono and includes an inscription from the U2 song "The Miracle."



**GUALTIERO VANELLI URSUS ARCTOS HORRIBILIS** 2016, 180 x 70 x 100 cm, Calacatta marble With his brand Marbleman, Gualtiero Vanelli has realized in marble the grizzly bear that plays akey part in the film *Revenant*. Carved from a single block of valuable Calacatta marble, from the quarries that the Vanelli family have owned for many generations in the heart of the famed Carrara marble district, the magnificent sculpture, weighs 1.7 tons and is on a wooden base with a white marble cladding. Beneath the bear and carved on the "rock" is a quote from Leonardo DiCaprio reading: "Each species is a unique creation, a precious work of art. Yet in just the past 40 years we have lost half of all wildlife on the Earth. It's up to us to become the caretakers of this great planet. If not us, then who?"

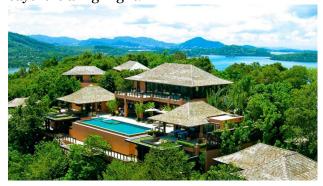


MANCHESTER UNITED TRAINING **EXPERIENCE** This is the ultimate experience for any football lover and a sine qua non for a Manchester United fan. The winning bidder and up to seven guests (8 people total) will watch the team train at the Aon Training Complex, and receive a private tour of the facility, wherein they may take photos with the team. Guests will also receive a private tour of the Old Trafford stadium and museum. Following the training, guests will watch the game from a private box, wherein you will enjoy a four course meal, half time, and post-match refreshments. To make this memorable experience even more unforgettable, each guest will receive a

Manchester United jersey signed by a player of their choice. This package also includes hotel accommodations for two nights in Manchester.



**RWANDA GORILLA SAFARI EXPEDITION WITH SUPERMODEL** VERONICA VAREKOVA A group of six will join supermodel Veronica Varekova, and renowned gorilla-expert, Craig Sholley to encounter the critically endangered mountain gorillas in the wild, a wildlife experience like no other. Traveling by private vehicle, you will begin your journey in Kigali, Rwanda before heading to the Volcanoes National Park where you will climb the verdant slopes of these dormant giants. You will trek to see mountain gorillas are two separate occasion while in the park, an area made famous by the work of Dian Fossey. As a former student of Dian's and former director of the Mountain Gorilla Project, Craig Sholley will regale the group with stories of the eaard-winning Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge, the best tourism lodge in the region. On one of the days, you will also go visit the endemic Golden Monkeys, an experience that few have had but everyone says it is a highlight.



VILLA AT SRI PANWA RESORT PHUKET, THAILAND Enjoy a 10-night stay in a 5-bedroom Ocean View Residence Villa at the Sri Panwa Resort- one of the top properties in Thailand. Perched high atop Cape Panwa and commanding breathtaking views of the Southeastern tip of Phuket, occupying the Cape Panwa peninsula in its entirety, this is the ultimate luxury vacation accommodation on Phuket island. The villas sit 40-60 meters above sea level along the Eastern & Western ridges at the very tip of the cape, commanding breathtaking views of the surrounding islands and Andaman Sea.



**GOAT – GREATEST OF ALL TIME-THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO MUHAMMAD ALI** This exceptional package includes the Champ's edition of TASCHEN's GOAT-Greatest of All Time signed by both Muhammad Ali and Jeff Koons, the sculpture *Radical Champs* by Jeff Koons (175 x 170 cm) and four gelatin silver prints, each signed by Muhammad Ali and photographer Howard L. Bingham. **GIORGIO ARMANI MADE**  **TO MEASURE** The winning bidder will have the opportunity to attend a Giorgio Armani fashion show in Milan within the next calendar year, and to personally meet backstage with the legendary Italian designer. The bespoke Made to Measure design team will then assist the winner in selecting luxury fabrics and silhouettes, which will result in a handmade personalized wardrobe of approximately ten custommade suits (dependent upon fabric choices) designed by Armani.



**BE AN HONORARY MEMBER OF MUSE FOR A FULL DAY ON TOUR!** Skip past the hard work of being a groupie and go straight to being a special guest of the band Muse for a concert! This is an incredible opportunity for two people to travel with the band from London to Budapest and back for Muse's concert there. You and your guest will watch the concert from special seats to the side of the stage as Muse performs live to 60,000 people at the Sziget Festival. After the performance guitarist Matt Bellamy will give you one of his personal guitars used during the performance. In addition, you may also choose to customize one of Bellamy's guitars with a design of your choice.



### ADRIAN VILLAR ROJAS – THE MOST BEAUTIFUL OF ALL MOTHERS

2015, 270 x 160 x 140 cm Painted fiberglass, metal, concrete, organic and inorganic materials: (deer antlers, soil, pieces offossilized tree and glass stones). Adrián Villar Rojas works in an imaginary dimension where men face their obsolescence and eventual extinction, playing with perceptions of time and its representation in human culture. Villar Rojas uses aspects of drawing, sculpture, music, science fiction and installation to create dream-like alternate realities that allude to an apocalyptic or mythological end of the world. In contrast, his use of clay and elements from the natural world offer an opportunity to connect with the basic humanity of the material on a more modest scale. The bear figure towers over the viewer, exposing other animals made from

cloth, pottery, iron, wood and terracotta embedded within its surface.



STAY AT LEONARDO DICAPRIO'S PALM SPRINGS HOME FOR 12 GUESTS FOR ONE WEEK This is an incredible opportunity for 12 people to spend a week next January in an iconic Palm Springs modernist home-one of the finest examples of midcentury architecture-designed by celebrated architect Donald Wexler, while calling Leonardo DiCaprio your landlord! Built on a secluded 1.3-acre desert oasis compound, this stunning estate includes 6 bedrooms and 7.5 baths spread between the main house, a guest house, and a "casita." Inside the main house you and your guests can enjoy spending time in a magnificent living room with generous seating, a grand piano, fireplace, and cocktail bar. The property includes a stunning heated pool, a spa, and tennis courts. Located in Old Las Palmas, the property was originally built for Dinah Shore. Please email LdF@aabproductions.com if you are interested in placing a bid.

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