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Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic Foundation Raises More Than \$1 Million in Grand Auction
23rd Annual Grand Auction Generates Record Earnings

Virginia Beach, Va. -- The [Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic Foundation's](#) (CBWCF) 23rd Annual [Grand Auction](#) raised \$1,132,560.00 on Nov. 9. The Grand Auction was held at the home of philanthropists and founders of the Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic, Eleanor and Bob Stanton. More than 700 attendees came out to bid on rare, collectible wines, weekend getaways, exotic vacations, luxury merchandise, unique lifestyle packages and dining at some of Virginia's best restaurants. CBWC generated \$291,000 in tickets/sponsorships. Proceeds will benefit youth education through the ACCESS College Foundation.

"We are ecstatic to celebrate our most successful auction to date," said Jennie Capps, executive director. "We appreciate the support we've received from the community to raise money to enrich the lives of young people through education."

Fritz Hatton, vintner and owner of Arietta, one of Napa's top producers of Bordeaux-style blended wines and Jamie Pollack, trained sommelier and Wine Director - North America of Zachy's, served as grand auctioneers. Attendees participated in a live auction as well as a collector's corner auction and a silent auction. Guests enjoyed cuisine prepared by chefs from Atlantic Shores, Braise, Press 626, the Town Point Club, Terrapin Restaurant, Salt at the Point, Thirty 7 North and Eurasia Cafe & Wine.

Over the past 22 years, the CBWCF has distributed more than \$4.5 million for charity. More information about the Grand Auction is available on the [Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic Foundation](#) website at www.cbwc.org.

About The Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic Foundation:

The Chesapeake Bay Wine Classic Foundation is a non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to the belief that the future strength and prosperity of our region and nation are dependent on the education of our youth. Since its inception in 1990, the Foundation has raised and distributed millions of dollars to organizations which have supported the youth of South Hampton Roads, enabling thousands to pursue higher education, meaningful careers and fulfilling lives. In order to fund its mission, the Foundation stages a variety of events, highlighted by the Annual Grand Auction, for those with a special interest in enjoying, sharing and collecting wines.

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