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Sidetrack Hosts Celebrity Auction to Benefit Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame

The **Seventeenth Annual Hall of Fame Celebrity Auction** benefits the **2009 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame**, announced Dana V. Starks, Chairman and Commissioner of the Chicago Commission on Human Relations. The auction will be held on Tuesday, September 22, at **Sidetrack**, 3349 N. Halsted St. The registration reception, silent auction, and raffle begin at 7 p.m., and bidding starts at 8 p.m.

The registration fee of \$10 includes one cocktail, hors d'oeuvres from J and L Catering, raffle tickets, an auction paddle to bid with, and a \$10 credit on auction purchases. This event is generously sponsored by BBJ Linen, Boi Magazine, Center on Halsted, Circuit Mom Productions, Circuit Night Club, Exelon, Fred Eychaner, Hall's Rental, J&L Catering, Miller Lite, Napleton Automotive Group, Rick Aguilar Studios, Sidetrack, Skyy Vodka, Supergurl Images and Treasure Island Foods.

The auctioneers for the evening are **Circuit Mom**, **Amy Methany** of Windy City Queercast, and **Molly Callinan** — Rock Goddess lead singer of "Catfight."

Prominent personalities from Chicago offer items and services for bidders during both live and silent auctions. Items include breakfast or lunch with **Ron Huberman**, CEO of Chicago Public Schools; "Nude Sculptured Front," a C-Print, edition 1 of 10, by famed photographer **Sandro**; a dinner and theatre package for 10 at **Drury Lane Theatre** in Oak Brook; a fun "TV" package from ABC 7's 190 North Hostess, **Janet Davies**; and much more.

The 2009 Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. on November 12 in Sidney R. Yates Gallery at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St. The event is funded through fundraising events and donations from individuals, businesses, and organizations. Administration and support is provided by the Chicago Commission on Human Relations, members of the Commission's Advisory Council on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Issues, and volunteers. Chicago is the only municipality to honor its LGBT communities in this manner. The Hall of Fame pays tribute to its inductees and documents the LGBT communities' heritage and diversity through its annual publication and its Web site (www.glhallowoffame.org).

Individuals, businesses, and organizations that wish to donate or need additional information may contact Bill Greaves at 312-744-7911(voice) or 312-744-1088 (TTY) or the Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame at 773-281-5077 (voice). Contributions may be sent to The Chicago Gay and Lesbian Hall of Fame, 3712 N. Broadway St. Box 637, Chicago, Illinois 60613-4235.

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