

DONATED BY Justin Sutherland (Chef/ Owner of BIG E, Crooked Beverage Co., and Northern Soul), Jametta Raspberry (Chef/ Owner of House of Gristle), and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* Dinner will take place between July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025, on a mutually agreed upon date between tonight's winner and our Celebrity Chefs. This package is non-transferable.

#### **LOT #1** Northern Soul – In-Home Dinner with Celebrity Chefs

Nationally recognized celebrity chef, entrepreneur, Emmy Award-winning host—not to mention contestant on Season 16 of *Top Chef*—Justin Sutherland is unstoppable. From his multiple restaurants and spice line to his social justice-focused streetwear brand and acclaimed best-selling debut cookbook, *Northern Soul*, Justin has truly done it all. Of the latter, chef and Food Network star Marcus Samuelsson says, "He speaks to the power of how food fuels us as individuals, connects to us spiritually, and forges the bonds of community."

Enter Jametta Raspberry, the award-winning chef disrupting the status quo of dining with verve, thought-provoking discussions, and anything-but-boring food. Having worked in some of the most lauded Twin Cities kitchens, she founded the wildly popular catering operation House of Gristle in 2019. Passionate about social justice, Jametta founded Roots for the Home Team, a nonprofit dedicated to providing Minnesota youth with unique opportunities to gain culinary skills while learning about business, sales, marketing, and their personal passions.

Each a powerhouse in their own right, Justin and Jametta come together for one night only to combine their culinary



brilliance for up to 12 guests—all in the comfort of your home. Highlighting their passion and epicurean brilliance, this multi-course dinner will be accompanied by an assortment of cocktails and wine pairings. With two of the best chefs in the Midwest, this will be the private dinner party of the decade.





DONATED BY Dr. Juleen Christopher and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* This trip will take place in April, May, June, July, or October in 2024-2025, on a mutually agreed upon date between tonight's winner and Dr. Christopher. This package is non-transferable.

### LOT #2 Head for the Hills – Luxury Caribbean Getaway

Ditch the daily grind and leave the ordinary behind as you reconnect with who and what matters most at St. Bernard's Hill House, a luxury Caribbean villa. Situated on Tortola, the largest of the British Virgin Islands, you'll feel the warm breeze on your skin while experiencing breathtaking 320-degree uninterrupted oceanic views on this eight-acre mountaintop oasis.

During your serene four-night, five-day stay for up to ten guests across five sprawling villas, you'll experience a unique blend of the exclusivity a private estate provides alongside the meticulous service and amenities of a five-star boutique hotel. Once you step foot on this haven, let your worries drift away as you settle into a chair on the breathtaking sunset deck, make use of the stateof-the-art gym, admire the lush tropical gardens,



and luxuriate in the saltwater infinity pool with unobstructed views of the Caribbean Sea and neighboring islands. This private home, owned by NAZ supporter Dr. Juleen Christopher, is dedicated to providing you with a truly transformative experience.

Your all-inclusive package includes a daily continental breakfast, luxury ground transportation to the property, and the Hill House's signature cocktail upon you and your guests' arrival. From touchdown to takeoff, a personal concierge will take care of your every whim, from arranging water taxis and rental cars to stocking the refrigerator. As a bonus, enjoy a \$3,000 VISA credit that is good for airfare or island excursions. Your stay in paradise will prioritize your every desire, helping you to relax, recharge, and revitalize.





DONATED BY Brian Taylor (CEO, Pine River Capital Management), United Airlines (with special thanks to NAZ Board Member Laysha Ward), and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* This trip will take place between April 21, 2024-April 20, 2025, on a mutually agreed upon date between tonight's winner and Mr. Taylor. This package is non-transferable.

#### LOT #3 Chalet All Day – Weeklong Ski Trip to the Alps

Mountains rule in Chamonix, where some of the world's best skiing can be found. This "bucket list" destination is the oldest ski area in the French Alps. With its stunning views of the Alps and Mont Blanc, the mountains offer a range of skiing experiences suitable for all levels and abilities. But the city is not just for skiers. The village has a vibrant après-ski scene brimming with unmatched shopping, restaurants, and nightlife. And, in the summer, Chamonix transforms into a paradise for hikers, bikers, and climbers, offering a plethora of outdoor activities to suit every adventurer's taste.

This luxurious Alpine adventure for up to twelve guests begins in picturesque Geneva, Switzerland. From there, you'll be whisked away in luxury ground transportation to Chamonix, France, where you'll enjoy a seven-night, eight-day stay in a fully furnished ski chalet. This luxury home, owned by NAZ Board Member and Pine River Capital Management CEO Brian Taylor, offers the perfect blend of comfort and style, ensuring a memorable stay.

Your package also includes round-trip, firstclass airfare for two (thanks to NAZ board member Laysha Ward and United Airlines), and a \$2,000 VISA credit for lift tickets, a ski guide, and spa services. And, no trip to the region would be complete without a visit to Witness Hôtel Hameau Albert 1er. As part of the package, you'll enjoy reservations for your group and a \$1,000 credit to this two-star Michelin restaurant whose destination dining sits at the foot of the Mont Blanc Mountains.







DONATED BY Minnesota Sports and Events (with special thanks to Wendy Blackshaw), David and Lori Fhima (Chef/Owner of Artisan & Spice, Fhima's Minneapolis, Maison Margaux, and Mother Dough), Four Seasons Hotel – Minneapolis, and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* Gymnastics Team Trials are scheduled for June 27-30, 2024. Restaurant and hotel booking is subject to availability. This package is non-transferable.

# LOT #4

#### Flipping Out – USA Gymnastics Olympic Team Trials All-Access Experience

Minneapolis transforms into **GyMNastics City USA** as the road to the 2024 Olympic Games culminates at the Target Center, hosting the U.S. Gymnastics Team Trials from June 27–30. The world's most elite gymnasts, including Minnesota's Shane Wiskus and Olympic gold medalist Suni Lee, alongside the original GOAT, Simone Biles, compete for a coveted spot to represent Team USA in Paris.

Celebrate the **SOLD OUT** weekend-long competition with four all-access trials tickets, which include admission to all of the weekend's sessions, both Men's and Women's. This four-day VIP package also includes passes to some of the most exclusive USA Gymnastics events for you and your entourage, including:

- Daily admission to the "Host House" located at the Dayton's Project, where you'll enjoy hosted food and drink, alongside former gymnasts and coaches
- Two prime-view tickets to the GyMNastics City USA Opening Ceremony
- All-access to Flip Zone, FanFest surrounding Target Center, and Promenade du Nord, along Nicollet Mall, where your daily dose of entertainment and shopping are all but guaranteed.

After saying "catch you on the flip side" to Team USA as they embark on their quest for Olympic gold, you and your guests will be whisked away to Maison Margaux. Here, Chef David Fhima will treat you to a decadent, multi-course Parisian feast, complete with an assortment of cocktails and wine pairings, a perfect way to cap off your flipping fun gymnastics adventure.

Oh, and we hope you packed an overnight bag, as this package includes a two-night stay at the Four Seasons Hotel — Minneapolis.





DONATED BY Knudsen Vineyards (with special thanks to Page Knudsen Cowles), United Airlines (with special thanks to NAZ Board Member Laysha Ward), and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* The trip will take place between April 21, 2024-April 20, 2025, on a mutually agreed upon date between tonight's winner and Knudsen Vineyards. This package is non-transferable.

#### LOT #5 Escape to Wine Country – Willamette Valley Wine Tour

Located above the lush Willamette Valley, Dundee, Oregon, is the vibrant heart of America's wine country. What sets its producers apart is a passion for capturing the region's rich terroir. From their Pinot's refined elegance to their Chardonnay's robust richness, each bottle is a unique testament to a moment in time and a narrative about the place and its people. Whether you're a fan of reds, whites, or something in between, Dundee promises an experience like no other.

Your exclusive wine tour commences at Knudsen Vineyards, a 53-year-old family-owned and operated vineyard. This is not just any vineyard, but one owned by long-time NAZ supporter Page Knudsen Cowles and her brothers. Dedicated to crafting complex wines from the Burgundian varietals of Pinot and Chardonnay and practicing sustainable viticulture, this second-generation estate was born with a thirst for experimentation. Once there, Page will personally guide you and up to five guests on a vineyard tour, followed by a hearty lunch featuring delicious Knudsen wines.



Having now sipped wine with a master, enjoy additional tastings at Domaine Serene and Raptor Ridge, both with deep Minnesota connections, complete with a \$250 ground transportation credit. After indulging, it's time to rejuvenate. Enjoy a four-night stay for two at the luxurious five-star Allison Inn & Spa and truly pamper yourself with a \$750 spa credit. In addition to some outstanding wine, enjoy round-trip, first-class airfare for two (thanks to NAZ board member Laysha Ward and United Airlines).





#### DONATED BY Mall of America (with special thanks to Sara Durhman and Jill Renslow), and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

\* This experience will take place between July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025, on a mutually agreed upon date between tonight's winner and the Mall of America. Buyout will occur after normal park closure, with availability on Mondays-Saturdays from 9:30 PM to 12:30 AM, Sundays from 8:00 to 11:00 AM, or 7:30 to 10:30 PM. A 60-day advance booking notice is required. This package is non-transferable

#### LOT #6 Along for the Ride – Nickelodeon Universe Park Buyout

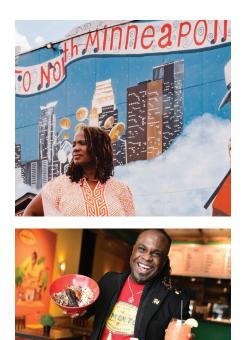
The core of Bloomington's Mall of America beckons thrill seekers and families alike. Nickelodeon Universe, the nation's first indoor theme park, is home to seven acres of attractions, entertainment, and dining. Whether you are a roller coaster enthusiast or just along for the ride, the one-of-a-kind theme park offers a thrilling array of unique and bold attractions for all ages. From its three roller coasters and sky-high tree swings to its classic carousel, the park is a treasure trove of excitement, offering something thrilling for everyone.

Now is your chance to score the ULTIMATE "ticket to ride." Imagine hosting your next private event after hours in Nickelodeon Universe's expansive wonderland; a dream come true for both kids and kids at heart. Get ready to go "upside down" planning the

ultimate team-building activity for out-of-town clients and colleagues, "spin me 'round" at your next birthday bash, or "free fall" hosting your child or grandchild's senior year lockin. Picture yourself enjoying three fun-filled hours with 750 of your closest friends.

Oh, and we hope you packed an overnight bag, as this package includes a \$1,000 Radisson credit good at the neighboring Radisson Blu. So, now the only question is, what type of EPIC party will you host?





DONATED BY Sondra and Don Samuels, Pimento Jamaican Kitchen (with special thanks to Tomme Beevas), and friends of the Northside Achievement Zone.

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## LOT #7

# Get Up, Stand Up – Authentic Jamaican Dinner with Sondra Samuels

Not to overstate the obvious, but there will likely never be another live auction experience like this - ever again!

Save your appetites for a remarkably unforgettable dining and cultural event. You and up to seventeen guests will enjoy the gracious hospitality of the Northside Achievement Zone (NAZ) and its President and CEO, Sondra Samuels, at either your home or a venue of your choosing. Enjoy an evening discussing current events, some of the most timely issues facing Northside scholars and their families, and how NAZ fits into the solution. However, be prepared because what Sondra is most excited to share with you and your guests is her love for the country of Jamaica, the people, the culture, but most importantly... the food. And who better to bring this to life than Tomme Beevas, an entrepreneur, a movement builder, and the founder of Pimento Jamaican Kitchen?

Hailing from Kingston, Jamaica, his wide-ranging and diverse career has taken him from corporate board rooms to a pop-up tent where he launched his restaurant in 2012, gaining national recognition after winning Food Network's *Food Court Wars*. Your authentic multi-course Jamaican meal will feature Tomme's family recipes utilizing responsibly sourced fresh ingredients. The evening will conclude with curated cocktails, dessert, and a special live performance by Northside musicians.

Enjoy an intimate night of budding friendships, exceptional company, lively banter, and delectable fare seared into unforgettable memories for all. It's yours for the taking, so raise those bidder paddles high!