# NUTCRACKER SILENT AUCTION 2018

**Dear Nutcracker Families:**
Each year during the Nutcracker performances, LBT hosts a fundraising silent auction. The money helps LBT continue their history of outstanding performances, excellent training, and community outreach.

The silent auction is only a success through the participation of our wonderful parents and we thank you for all your hard work, dedication, enthusiasm and creativity.

Each of our cast groups will put together an auction item, organized by our room moms.

**WHAT ARE THE DONATIONS?**

Two kinds of donations make up the auction:

1. Products and Services donated by local businesses like restaurant gift cards and spa services. This is our top priority. These donations cost Ballet Conservatory families nothing and provide great items to bid on. We are always looking for any connections families may have to local businesses or organizations that would like to donate.

2. Products and Services purchased by our Ballet Conservatory families. Because of busy schedules or other reasons, you may prefer to donate cash or purchase a product toward building and creating items for an auction basket.

**TWO EXAMPLE BASKETS FROM 2017**

1. **PRESENTED BY YOUNG LADIES ~ *KENDRA SCOTT**** Brett necklace and Juniper earrings, 2 tickets ***to AVANT CHAMBER BALLET'S**** A Christmas Carol, jewelry stand and jewelry box ~ Value $300

2. **PRESENTED BY CHINESE TEA ~** Tea and Chocolate including cake stand, tea towels, Belgian chocolates, Organic Tea and a $10 gift card to Paradise Coffee**~** Value $80

**HOW TO SOLICIT A DONATION FROM A LOCAL BUSINESS**

1. By phone, email or in person. We have found great success when one of our ballerinas is involved when asking in person.
2. Give the business a copy of the official LBT Donation Request Letter for their accounting records. This letter will be given to you upon request via email or hard copy.

Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.
Sincerely,

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