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CELEBRITY COMMITTEES HONOR THE ACTORS STUDIO CELEBRITY AUCTION

Plans for the The Actors Studio Celebrity Auction are quickly taking shape. The date: Monday, September 20th at Christie's, 502 Park Avenue. Presided over by Christopher Burge, Christie's President and principal auctioncer. Honorary Co-Chairs are Paul Newman, Alec Baldwin, Ellen Burstyn and Robert De Niro. The evening's Benefit Committee is chaired by Ann and Keith Barish, Ann and Mick Jones, Dennis Hopper, Lee Radziwill and Herbert Ross and Giovanni Volpi.

Celebrities from every field have already sent priceless memorabilia to The Studio. Items like autographed and annotated scripts from Arthur Penn (Bonnie & Clyde), Oliver Stone (JFK), Art Garfunkel (Catch 22), Clifford Odets, (Country Girl) Valerie Perrine (Superman), Gary Marshall (Pretty Woman) and manuscripts from Arthur Miller (Timebends) and John Grisham. (The Firm).

Hollywood has weighed in with items such as President Paul Newman's royal blue racing car outfit, Jack Nicholson's "Joker" glove from *Batman*, Clint Eastwood's "Dirty Harry" jacket, Madonna's slinky black dress from her Blonde Ambition Tour, Anjelica Huston's "Morticia" dress from *The Addams Family*, Al Pacino's dress blue Army uniform from *Scent of a Woman*, Dennis Hopper's black leather jacket from *Blue Velvet* and Michael Douglas' corporate raider's suit from *Wall Street*. There's Bert Stern's large gelatin silver print of Marilyn Monroe taken at her famous last sitting with the photographer in '62; Barbra Streisand's sexy satin boxing outfit from *The Main Event* (autographed in a private place!) and Elizabeth Taylor's lavender

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satin dress from her first "Passion" campaign. And Raquel Welch's daring stars-and stripes bathing suit from Myra Breckinridge.

Count Giovanni Volpi is donating for the first time his spectacular private villa in Venice as a one-week dream holiday for 14 lucky people--Boat and driver included! Another trip abroad is a 7-day London Theatre package--two people fly to London, stay in a luxury Rank Hotel and attend the theatre with New Yorker theatre critic, John Lahr. In counterpoint there's an utterly private two-week Mediterrean holiday on the ancient island of Cyprus, where two couples will nestle in a charming vintner's farmhouse owned by the former head of The Cyprus National Theatre. Also a spectacular ski week offered at Sundance, Robert Redford's Western home to Hollywood stars--two people stay at Carlin Glynn and Peter Masterson's fabulous cottage right at the slopes.

Some lucky person will win a tango lesson with Robert Duvall. Or spend "60 Minutes with Ed Bradley at "60 Minutes." Norman and Norris Mailer will host a dinner party at their home for four winning bidders. Screenwriter William Goldman will entertain another four at his apartment for drinks and take them to dinner at a restaurant to discuss the film business. And Jan. 31st brings two guest invitations to Lee Grant and Joey Feury's annual star-filled New Year's Eve Party at their New York apartment.

One hundred fifty celebrities are represented: a luxurious evening dress from Marc Bohan, Christian Dior, circa 1965, has been donated by Prince Albert of Monaco for his mother, Princess Grace; two rare vintage photographs of Marlene Dietrich from the 1930's have been given by her grandson from his personal collection. And some witty red satin criss-cross pumps worn by both Shelley Winters and Marilyn Monroe when they were roomates in Hollywood. "We shared shoes, bathing suits and sometimes boyfriends" Shelley says in her note. "What a happy time."

The Actors Studio Celebrity Auction is being organized by members Marilyn Fried, Jacqueline Knapp and Sylvia Miles. Tickets to the auction, a champagne reception and private supper following at The St. Regis are by reservation only. For further information contact: Nancy Jones, Auction Coordinator, The Actors Studio, 432 West 44th St. New York, NY 10036. (212) 757-0870.

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