

## Manhattan, Wine Auction

# The Manhattan Wine Auction — now in its 31st year — is one of the most prestigious fundraising events in Southern California.

The iconic artwork. The exclusive wines. The stellar live auction. The vast offerings from wineries and local restaurants. And the most noble cause of all —

EDUCATION.





### SATURDAY MAY 31, 2025

#### BENEFITTING

The Manhattan Beach Education Foundation Endowment

#### THE VENUE

Manhattan Country Club 1330 Parkview Avenue Manhattan Beach, California

#### **EVENT HOURS**

4:30 - 11:00 pm

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### **Event Highlights**

- Join over 2,500 residents from the South Bay and beyond at this favorite event that has raised more than \$25 million for education.
- · Savor tastings from 75 renowned wineries, distilleries, and breweries.
- **Indulge in culinary creations** from over 50 of the finest local restaurants and specialty food purveyors.
- Discover rare varieties in the **Exclusive Reserve Room**, featuring cult and limited-edition wines from Napa Valley and beyond.
- Create unforgettable memories on Center Court with VIP access, superb wines, and light supper among the company of family, friends, or colleagues.
- Elevate your experience with **private lounges** overlooking Center Court, perfect for enjoying the event in style.
- Explore the extensive Silent and Live Auctions, featuring collectible wines and spirits, luxury trips, exclusive dinners, stunning jewelry, captivating art, and sports memorabilia.
- End the night with a bang, dancing under the stars.

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 31st

### 4:00-6:00PM

VIP Access to Reserve Room for Specialty Food and Wine Tasting

### 4:30-7:00PM

General Admission Access to Vineyard Courts for Food and Wine Tasting

Silent Auction Viewing

### 7:00-11:00PM

Special Seating on Center Court for Light Fare and Premium Wine during Evening Program

Live Auction and Program followed by Music and Dancing enjoyed by all guests

This is more than an event—its a night to celebrate, savor, and invest in our schools.



### **\$1.2**MILLION

Endowment distribution to our schools in 2024



### **\$100+** MILLION

MBEF's investment in our schools since 1983



Endowment fund balance



### **40+**YEARS

MBEF has funded MBUSD schools

### **Great Schools Today. Great School Forever.**

This is the vision of MBEF — to provide excellent educational opportunities for all students through our community schools. MBEF's Endowment is the cornerstone of this mission, supporting and sustaining quality public education here in Manhattan Beach now and for generations to come.

### **Great Schools Today**

For the past four decades, MBEF has provided critical funding for Manhattan Beach public schools to ensure that every student has access to a strong, well-rounded academic program— with enrichment opportunities in STEAM, Visual & Performing Arts, Physical Education, and Reading, Writing & Libraries. Our students also benefit from access to more personalized learning in smaller classes and comprehensive support and counseling services.

### **Great Schools Forever**

Early in its development, the MBEF Board of Directors established the MBEF Endowment Fund as a stable, secure and self-sustaining source of funding. Modeled after university endowments, the goal of MBEF's Endowment is to serve as a permanent fund to enhance and stabilize the long-term growth of MBEF's annual contribution to Manhattan Beach Unified School District. Initiated in 1986 with just \$10,000, the Endowment's balance now stands at \$28 Million and in 2024 disbursed \$1.2 Million to MBEF. This accounts for 16% of the \$7.4 Million grant MBEF awarded to Manhattan Beach Unified School District in 2024-2025.

### **Your Support**

Proceeds from the Manhattan Wine Auction provide critical funding to the MBEF Endowment to ensure our schools are filled with enrichment opportunities today and well into the future. Since 1983, MBEF has directed over \$100 Million in enriched educational opportunities in our schools that would not be possible without the generosity, time and commitment of all community stakeholders.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

on MBEF's impact on education in Manhattan Beach, please visit www.mbef.org.

### RESTAURANT PARTICIPATION



Throughout the Vineyard Courts, guests enjoy samplings from the finest local restaurants, and specialty food purveyors. Showcase your restaurant at this year's Manhattan Wine Auction for the ultimate visibility in the South Bay.







### **Benefits**

- Opportunity to showcase your restaurant and culinary offerings to the broader South Bay community
- · Opportunity to be included alongside the area's finest food purveyors, vintners, mixologists and brewmasters
- · Recognition in the printed Manhattan Wine Auction Event Program
- · Recognition on the Manhattan Wine Auction website
- · Online and table display of your silent auction donation viewed by event participants, as well as the greater South Bay community
- · Recognition in the two-page thank-you ad in The Beach Reporter
- · Access to shared guest contact information for outreach

### **Participation Conditions**

**FOOD QUANTITY** Food is served from 4:30-7:00 PM to 2,200 attendees. It is expected that restaurants will provide enough food to feed at least 1,000 of these guests.

**SET-UP** Access to the venue at 2:00 PM. Must be complete by 4:00 PM. **AUCTION DONATION** We ask that all participating restaurants donate a Dinner for Four certificate or dining experience that can be part of the Silent Auction.

### Standard Booth

Our standard booth set-up is complimentary and includes:

- · 8' x 6' space
- · 8' serving table and 8' prep table with table drapes
- Cocktail-size plates or bowls, paper napkins, and plasticware
- Standard banner signage supplied by MBEF
- · Limited cooking equipment available
- · Access for 3 staff members to serve

### **Custom Booth**

A limited number of booths may be customized to maximize your visibility to guests. Cost is \$1,500 and includes all items in the Standard Booth PLUS:

- Premier location and increased booth space (to 16' X 16')
- Opportunity to brand the booth space with your own décor, signage, displays, furniture, etc. (restaurant partner responsible for all items)
- · Access for 2 additional staff members to serve (5 total)
- · Early access for booth set-up

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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