

INSPIRING THE NATIVE TRADITION OF GIVING

POTLATCH FUND



November 12, 2014

Our Hands Are Raised Up to You!

An Overwhelming Evening of Giving in Northwest Indian Country

2014 Silent Auction

A record \$15,120 Raised in Under Two Hours



The Potlatch Fund Board and Staff would like to thank all the artists, organizations, and individuals who contributed items to the 2014 Silent Auction ([view the complete list here](#)). A record 84 lots were up for auction including: drums, paddles, prints, books, baskets, jewelry, and much much more ([see all the items here](#)).



The atmosphere of the Networking Reception was electric as guests bid on items throughout the room. Guests must have liked the offerings as the 2014 Silent Auction brought in a record amount of \$15,120.

Thank you to all who bid, your generosity will be felt throughout Northwest Indian Country as ALL proceeds from the Silent Auction will support the 2015 Native Arts Grant Cycles.



*2014 Networking Reception
with Silent Auction*

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, November 7

2015 Networking Reception with Silent Auction from 5 PM

By the way, a number of the artists in attendance could be overheard already discussing next year's silent auction. Here is a preview of the [2015 Call for Participation](#). Remember that the sooner Potlatch Fund receives your materials the more we can promote your work and donation.

2014 Fundraising Gala

Over \$120,000 Raised *Excluding* the Silent Auction

With over 540 seats sold, the 2014 Fundraising Gala exceeded



Glen Gobin welcomes attendees to the Tulalip Resort (top). MC's Dr. Coté and Ms. Cano-Martin. The Ke Kukui Foundation provided cultural performances. Emmett Oliver and family (bottom).

expectations on every level.

Our generous event sponsors ([view the complete list here](#)) ensured that the 2014 Fundraising Gala would yield a surplus before the evening started. In addition to a record number of sponsors, there were 27 table hosts - another record. Thank you to everyone who helped Potlatch Fund sell out another Fundraising Gala.

But it was those in attendance, people just like you, who once again made the difference with donations made on the evening. To date \$43,873 has been raised through 89 donations and pledges made in conjunction with the 2014 Fundraising Gala. Donations range from \$1 to \$6,300 and ALL these funds will be used to help support the organization's grantmaking and capacity building programs during 2015.

In the spirit of the Potlatch, the Board and Staff would like to thank everyone who supported the 2014 Fundraising Gala with a monetary donation. With your support we can fulfill our mission to to inspire and build upon the Native tradition of giving and to expand philanthropy within Tribal nations and Native communities in the Northwest.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, November 7
2015 Dinner with Program from 7 PM

The Shoalwater Bay Tribe is our first event sponsor for 2015 as a Community Partner!

Here is the information you need to become an [event sponsor](#), [host a table](#), or [purchase individual seats](#) for the 2015 Fundraising Gala.

Earlybird pricing of \$125 per seat is in effect though September 30, 2015. Seats will increase to \$150 from October 1, 2015.

Leadership · Philanthropy · Innovation
An Overview of the Awards Extended



Leadership Honoring



Philanthropist of the Year



Social Innovation

The 2014 [Leadership Honoring Awards](#) were extended to

Emmett Oliver, The Fran James Cultural Preservation Award

Ralph Forquera, The Antone Minthorn Economic & Community Development Award

Ramona Bennett, The Pearl Capoeman-Baller Civic Participation Award

Denise Juneau, The Patricia Whitefoot Education Award

» Watch the 2014 Leadership Honoring Awards video [here](#).

The 2014 [Philanthropist of the Year Award](#) was extended to **Alice Ito**.

The 2014 [Social Innovation Award](#) was extended to **Blackhorse Pride**.

» Watch the Blackhorse Pride video [here](#).

Ke Kukui Foundation

Past Potlatch Fund Community Building Grantee



Members of the Ke Kukui Foundation perform during the 2014 Fundraising Gala.

With much pride, the dancers of Kaleinani o ke Kukui present both kahiko (ancient) and 'auana (modern) hula.

Ke Kukui Foundation was founded in 2003, to preserve, perpetuate and share the native Hawaiian arts and culture with the community. Determined to keep the dance, language, crafts, and traditions authentic, Ke Kukui brings in master kumu (teachers) from Hawaii; thereby ensuring our keiki (children) and 'ōpio (youth) are taught by trusted practitioners of native Hawaiian arts. During these sessions, the dancers have also learned to make their own dance implements and accessories.

Working together, Ke Kukui and Kaleinani are ensuring a strong, thriving native Hawaiian community outside their Island home.

Special Thanks

2014 Silent Auction and Fundraising Gala Volunteers



The trio of fearless coat checkers have already signed up to volunteer again in 2015!

The evening would not have been the success it was without the help and support of our great team of volunteers!

Silent Auction Susan Welsh (Diné / Mohave / Chemehuevi)

Stage Manager Caleb Dunlap (Ojibwe)

Registration Brittany Olson (Makah)

Adrian Leuthold (Spokane)

Al "Radar" Brown (Spokane)

Jesse WalkingChild (Chippewa Cree / Blackfoot)

Johnny Buck (Wanapum / Yakama)

Kyle Slaney (Nez Perce)

Lisa Leuthold (Makah)

Mariana Harvey (Yakama)

Mark Guzman (Chamorro)

Norma Alicia Pino (Purépecha / Comcáac / Guaicura)

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projects making a difference
in Northwest Indian Country.

Pamela Bryan (Diné)
Paul Cline (Nooksack)
Phillip Hilliare (Lummi)
Renco Leake
Sam Barr (Samish)
Shasta Cano-Martin (Lummi)
Skala Leake
Tatiwyat Buck (Wanapum / Yakama)
Thomas Lawrence (Makah)
Vincent Chargualaf (Suquamish)

Your Opportunity to Make a Difference

You can help Potlatch Fund strengthen Tribal communities and Native organizations through contributions of your time, talent and treasure. Learn more about our mission and how to get involved on our website, or call: 206.624.6076.

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