



Conservation Celebration *and* *Auction*

WELCOME! A fundraiser to
protect land, water, fish, and
wildlife *forever*

Raffle: Two-Night Stay at Alderbrook Resort & Spa, Value: \$585

Tickets: \$5 each

Win a two-night stay at Alderbrook, a luxury resort on Hood Canal and less than an hour's drive north of the Nisqually Delta.

Alderbrook has it all – an excellent restaurant and bar, hiking trails, beachfront, swimming pool, spa, yoga classes, great views, and the comfiest rooms on the Canal. Enjoy world-class fun at a Pacific Northwest jewel: www.alderbrookresort.com

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34th Annual
CONSERVATION CELEBRATION AND AUCTION

An evening to protect land, water, fish, and wildlife forever

Program

4:30 p.m.

Check-in
Raffle Sales
Hors d'oeuvres served
Bars open
Live Music by Choro Tomorrow

5:00 p.m.

Buffet Dinner by Chef Jim Hunter

5:30 p.m.

Welcome

JW Foster, Master of Ceremonies
Former Nisqually Tribe Chairman Willie Frank III
Conservation Highlights - Jeanette Dorner, Executive Director

6:15 p.m.

Live Auction - Cindy Schorno, Auctioneer
Forever Fund "Raise the Paddle"
Representative J.T. Wilcox

8:30 p.m.

Live Auction Concludes
Raffle & Golden Ticket Drawings
Item Pick-up/Check-out

*If you have already registered your credit card, you do not need to checkout.
Simply pick up your items and head home. We will mail your receipt to you.*

Dear Friends of the Nisqually Land Trust:

Welcome to our annual Conservation Celebration & Auction. Tonight, we celebrate two milestones in the history of your Nisqually Land Trust:

- The 50th anniversary of the historic Boldt Decision, which affirmed not only that Native Americans had treaty rights to half the salmon catch in the state but even more importantly that Native Tribes are sovereign nations; and
- The 35th anniversary of the Land Trust, which grew directly out of the Boldt Decision and the Nisqually Tribe's launch of the Nisqually Watershed salmon recovery program.

We are greatly honored to have two speakers tonight who are descended from this historic lineage and have themselves been at the forefront of Nisqually conservation:

- Willie Frank III, former chair of the Nisqually Tribal Council. Willie's grand father, Willie Frank Sr., won the first legal battles for native fishing rights, in the 1930s, and his father, Billy Frank Jr., was arrested over fifty times on the trail to the Boldt Decision.
- Rep. J. T. Wilcox, a founding member of the Land Trust board. The conversion of J.T.'s father, Jim Wilcox, from foe to friend of Billy Frank Jr. is a foundational story in the Watershed's evolution from Ground Zero of the brutal Fish Wars to an internationally recognized beacon of cooperative conservation today.

Yet in many ways, our work is just beginning. Our Chinook salmon and steelhead trout, both listed under the Endangered Species Act, still hover at the edge of viability. They are still with us today in no small part thanks to the tremendous work we've all done to protect and restore their habitat.

And when we protect land for salmon we also protect it for northern spotted owls, marbled murrelets, and many other imperiled Nisqually species, and for the many people and communities who depend on a healthy Nisqually Watershed.

Your support tonight is the foundation for everything we do. It's the most flexible and powerful funding we have, leveraging a hundred times its value every year. Thank you.

And thank you, too, for being part of a great 35 years. Here's to the next 35!

-Your Nisqually Land Trust

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1 “Paddling the Black River” Mimi Williams Original Linoleum Block Print

Mimi is an Olympia printmaker whose work is inspired by our community and the incredible beauty of the Pacific Northwest. Her work has a relational aesthetic and often a narrative in a single frame; full of life, nature and relationships — the title of each piece gives you just enough to set the story.

Mimi carves each of her striking images in a linoleum block, then impresses the inked carving onto the paper using the back of a wooden spoon. Each print is unique, and she only prints two at a time, on BFK Rives printmaking paper from France.

Thank you: Mimi Williams
Value: \$400

2 Two-Night Stay in a Deluxe Cabin at Wellspring Spa

Enjoy an ultimate Northwest experience for two at the luxurious Wellspring Spa and Retreat, located at the base of Mount Rainier and the main entrance to Mount Rainier National Park.

Wellspring is the Northwest’s secret sanctuary! Featherbeds, woodlands to explore, peace and quiet — this trip makes for a perfect getaway and is ideal for personal renewals and romantic retreats. Choose from an assortment of cozy accommodations. Come refresh your body and soul.

Thank you: Wellspring Spa & Retreat, Sunny Thompson
Value: \$500

3 The Ultimate Golf Experience

Three Rounds, Three Courses, for Four Friends

Play 18 holes with three of your friends at the **Tahoma Valley Golf Course** in Yelm. Long known as one of the driest courses in Puget Sound, Tahoma Valley is a hidden gem. Enjoy the quiet playing in the country, something that is hard to find anywhere else.

Then head to **The Home Course** in Dupont to play another round for four. This club is the No. 2-ranked “Best Public Course in WA” with panoramic views of Puget Sound, the Olympic Mountains, and Mount Rainier.

Finally, head over to **The Golf Club at Hawks Prairie**. Located just a few miles north of Olympia, this club offers two of the most unique golf courses in the Pacific Northwest. *Each round of golf includes a cart & bucket of balls for four. Choose any order of play and enjoy across multiple days.*

Thank you: Tahoma Valley Golf Course, The Home Course, and
The Golf Course at Hawks Prairie
Value: \$750

4 “Tributaries” Limited Edition Print by Haida Artist Lyle R. Campbell

This beautiful, limited edition print speaks to the mission of the Land Trust. In the artist’s words: “This is a contemporary design of a Haida Salmon. The Salmon’s cycle is a circular one, the river marking the beginning, the birthplace. It is from the river that the Salmon goes, and it is to the river the Salmon returns, thus coming full circle, completing the life cycle.”

Artist Lyle R. Campbell is of the Sta-Sta-aas, Songalth Tribe of the Kaighani Haida of Haida Gwaii (Queen Charlotte Islands). He is a member of the Eagle Clan of the Edenshaw (It-in-su) family, and his great grandfather was Chief Albert Edward Edenshaw. Lyle’s bright colors and free-flowing style have a contemporary perspective but remain true to the traditional Northwest Coast formline.

Thank you: Paul and Shirley Battan
Value: \$650

5 Traditional Materials Gathering Trip

with Nisqually tribal member Hweqwidi Hanford McCloud

Two guests will have the unique opportunity to accompany Nisqually Tribal member Hweqwidi Hanford McCloud into the forest as he gathers cedar bark and other traditional materials for future woven hats and baskets.

See how he uses traditional sustainable techniques to gather materials as tribal members have done for thousands of years. Hanford, one of our newest Nisqually Land Trust board members, has been gathering materials and weaving traditional hats and baskets since he was twelve years old.

Thank you: Hanford McCloud

Value: Priceless!!

6 Two Tickets to Seahawks vs. Giants Game

Calling all twelfies! This home game package includes two tickets for the game against the Giants on October 6th in Seattle. Cheer on the team as they take the field from your seats next to the Seahawks tunnel (section 130).

Thank you: Brad Jones

Value: \$600

**Thank you for giving
nature a little nest egg**

We are honored to celebrate environmental excellence in the Nisqually River basin in community with conservation champions and organizations dedicated to ensuring healthy habitats for wildlife, fish, and people for generations to come.

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7 Custom-made Outdoor Table

Sit at this table and feel the rich history of Pacific Northwest forests. A world where giant trees, like huge classic columns, supported a green canopy two hundred feet above the ground, extending far beyond what an eagle could see. This tree was already two hundred years old when the first European settlers arrived in the Pacific Northwest, in a time where these forests thrived.

Salvaged from a 1931 Boston Harbor summer cabin, these boards are from a Douglas fir that was likely over eight feet in diameter and 250 feet tall when logged from the hills of south Puget Sound and then milled in Olympia. Hand-made by dedicated supporter and craftsman Eric Hurlburt, the table measures 6.5 feet in length.

Thank you: Eric Hurlburt

Value: \$2,000

8 Adventure Van Road Trip

Spend a week on the road in a 2021 Winnebago Solis, a pop-top camper with solar power and propane heat dedicated to outdoor adventure. Explore the Pacific Northwest, discover national and state parks, camp on forest service land and more in this self-contained home-on-wheels. It carries and sleeps four and requires no hookups. You can experience van life with friends and family in a set-up that makes travel easy and allows you to stay anywhere. Arrive at amazing destinations where you can explore nature and then just kick back, relax, and enjoy your van home.

Escape to the road in any season. "Vanna White" will see you there in ultimate style. Redeem by June 2025. Subject to availability.

Thank you: Connie and Dennis Gradoville

Value: \$1,400

9 Nisqually Aquatic Reserve Lunch Cruise

With boat captain Eric Hurlburt and guide Jeanette Dorner

Ahoy! Enjoy a gourmet lunch for four with beer and wine as you tour the Nisqually Aquatic Reserve, on Puget Sound, aboard the M/V *Patina*, a fully restored 41-foot pilot-house trawler built by Skookum Marine in Port Townsend and launched in 1977.

You'll embark at Zittle's Marina, head out and around Ketron Island and Anderson Island, and return along the Nisqually Reach. During this 3-4 hour cruise you'll see some of the Land Trust's Puget Sound shoreline projects, biologically diverse uplands and wetlands, and open-water and deep-water habitats. Trip is for four friends.

Thank you: Eric Hurlburt
Value: \$500

10 "Diving Loon" Original Tony Angell Signed Print

Collect this beautifully framed original print signed by Tony Angell, a well-known wildlife artist and writer. Angell's work has been featured in dozens of gallery and museum exhibitions and can be found in many private and public collections.

Tony's passion for nature began in childhood through exploring and studying wildlife. He honed his drawing and sculpting skills from life, often through the study of rehabilitated wildlife. Angell's paintings capture the characteristics and gestures of his subjects, effectively communicating the moments he has witnessed in the wild. Diving Loon describes the movement and form the loon takes as it dives for fish. Autographed Tony Angell book "Loon" included.

Thank you: Mike Ryherd
Value: \$1,245

11 1-Week Stay in Palm Desert Condo

Palm Desert is calling YOU! Enjoy a one week's stay at a newly renovated two-bedroom, two-bath 1,800 square foot condominium in Silver Sands Racquet Club. A private courtyard, atrium and patio just 30 steps from the pool and spa are yours for the week. Tennis and pickle ball court privileges are included, and many golf courses and nature preserves are located nearby.

Choose a mutually agreeable week between September, 2024 and May, 2025.

Thank you: Connie and Dennis Gradoville
Value: \$2,000

12 Northwest Coast Yellow Cedar Whaling Skipper Paddle

Makah carver Micah McCarty (Hawtwilth-iyatuk) hand-carved and painted this one-of-a-kind yellow cedar paddle. The artist's great-grandfather Makah Chief Hishka, who was a carver and a keeper of traditional knowledge, taught Micah this traditional art form. For generations the McCarty family have used carving to carry knowledge, stories, and tradition forward. Former Makah Tribe Chairman Micah McCarty has woven generations of learned craftsmanship and traditional history into this bold design.

Thank you: CalPortland & Micah McCarty (Hawtwilth-iyatuk)
Value: \$800

FOREVER FUND

Live Auction “Raise the Paddle”

Introduction by
Representative J.T. Wilcox

During the Forever Fund portion of tonight’s auction, you’ll have a chance to “raise your paddle” and donate directly to support restoration and stewardship of our protected acres in the Nisqually River Watershed.

We hope you’ll consider supporting our Forever Fund with a donation. We have protected nearly 10,500 acres in the Nisqually River Watershed and directly steward over 6,000 acres. It’s some of our most important and long-lasting work.

Once we purchase a property for protection, our commitment is to be good stewards of that habitat – forever – and forever starts today. Our primary funding source for taking care of our lands is support from people like you. Your donation to the Forever Fund helps ensure that we have the resources to protect and restore our habitat lands today and in the future.

Every dollar helps! Thanks.

13 Coast Salish Pattern Wool Blanket

Featured on the cover of Vogue in 2023 with actors Lily Gladstone (Blackfeet) and Leonardo DiCaprio for their Oscar-nominated movie Killers of the Flower Moon.

This design was created by Louie Gong (Nooksack), the founder of Eighth Generation. He often refers to the pattern as a “collaboration with the ancestors,” as it was created through his research of traditional Coast Salish weaving. Coast Salish art is rarely represented in contemporary textiles, and Louie is proud to help bring this often overlooked form to the forefront of Native art.

Eighth Generation is a Seattle-based company owned by the Snoqualmie Tribe. They partner with Native artists around the country to design, manufacture, and market beautiful wool blankets and gifts. They are pioneers in the market for products featuring Native art and the stories they carry.

Thank you: CalPortland
Value: \$225

14 Private Nisqually Boat Tour

With Willie and Peggen Frank

You and a guest will meet Willie and Peggen at the historic Frank’s Landing on the Nisqually River where you’ll hop on Willie’s fishing boat for a tour out to the mouth of the Nisqually River.

Learn about the history of Nisqually salmon fishing and the recent work of the Tribe to educate decision makers about the problems with the Interstate 5 bridge across the Nisqually. Keep your eye out for seals and bald eagles foraging in the Nisqually Estuary. On your return, Peggen and Willie will treat you to some delicious charcuterie and drinks, including smoked salmon!

Thank you: Willie and Peggen Frank
Value: Priceless!

15 Willamette Wine Country Getaway

Winter's Hill is a family winery located in the Dundee Hills near McMinnville, Oregon and is one of your hosts for this unique opportunity. The Gladhart family has farmed and produced wine for three generations. Their winery is certified by SalmonSafe in recognition of their sustainable farming practices.

Join Willamette Wine Concierge Paul Beck on a full-day tour where you'll get to peek behind the scenes and taste with a local wine expert. Visit three of his favorite wineries, meet some of the owners, and taste exceptional wines. This trip includes a private tasting and late lunch at Winter's Hill. Enjoy a two-night stay and gourmet breakfast at the charming La Bastide Bed and Breakfast in the heart of Willamette Valley.

Thank you: Mary & Fred Gentry, Winter's Hill Estate, Willamette Wine Concierge, Paul Beck, La Bastide Bed & Breakfast
Value: \$2,500

16 Hand-woven Cedar Hat

We are excited to be able to offer again one of Nisqually Tribe member Hweqwidi Hanford McCloud's much sought-after traditional cedar bark woven hats. Hanford, also one of our NLT board members, has been gathering cedar bark and weaving baskets and hats since he was twelve years old. He was taught by his elders to weave in a tradition that has been passed down for thousands of years. He gathers the cedar bark in the spring, then soaks it and splits it for weaving.

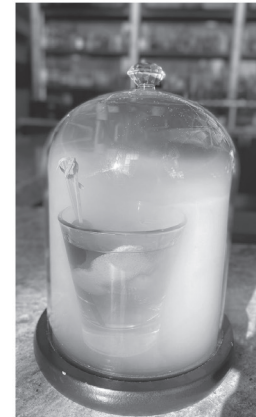
Thank you: Hanford (Hweqwidi) McCloud, CalPortland
Value: Priceless!

17 Nisqually Salmon Bake for 25

Gather your friends and family and host a feast with enough salmon and fry bread to satisfy your group. The staff of the Nisqually Indian Tribe's Department of Natural Resources will prepare your meal in the traditional way at your home or another location of your choice.

Please note: The salmon bake is available anytime in 2024 but is subject to the availability of staff and fresh salmon.

Thank you: Nisqually Indian Tribe's Department of Natural Resources
Value: \$800



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18 Dinner for 20 Prepared by Hunter Family Catering

If you agree with us that tonight's food is incredibly delicious, then this package is for you! Hunter Family Catering will come to your home to create a feast for you and your guests.

Head chef Jim Hunter is well-known for his cedar-planked grilled salmon and fresh locally sourced ingredients. From homemade bread to a sweet dessert, Jim will work closely with you to craft the perfect menu.

Thank you: Hunter Family Catering
Value: \$800



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Golden Ticket:

Methow Valley Getaway, the Farmhouse at Rolling Huts

Thank you: CalPortland

Value: \$670

PLACE YOUR \$50 ENTRY TICKET IN THE GOLDEN TICKET BASKET FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN.

Whether you are a hiker, mountain biker, or cross-country skier, the Rolling Huts, located in Washington's Methow Valley, is the perfect accommodation.

With views of the mountains, this turn of the century farmhouse accommodates groups of up to 6 people. Cozy and equipped, the farmhouse is perfect for families, friend groups, and people who appreciate old-fashioned comforts. Enjoy the wooden interiors and its ample deck and private grill. The farmhouse is available all year round. Pets allowed! Subject to availability.

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and protecting our precious Nisqually River Watershed!



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in the Nisqually River Watershed.*

Visit our Silent Auction online to bid on
some more exciting items! Bidding is open
through Sunday, June 9th at 6 pm.

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