

2026 NLT Conservation Celebration & Auction Table Captain Toolkit



Saturday, May 30, 2026

4:30-8:30 pm | South Puget Sound Community College, Lacey

Become a Table Captain

Table Captains make a HUGE contribution to our event's success! Can you help us by serving as a Table Captain and Nisqually Land Trust ambassador? Invite your friends and family who are passionate about protecting our environment to join you for the evening at our Conservation Celebration & Auction on May 30.

Thanks for helping us expand our Nisqually community and inspire conservation of our precious Nisqually River Watershed!

Your Role

As a Table Captain, you pledge to fill a table of 8-10 guests, or half a table of 4 guests. If you have more than 10 guests, we will be happy to seat them at an adjacent table.

- Invite 7-9 friends, colleagues, and/or family to the Conservation Celebration with you on May 30.
- Complete your guest list by May 1 or earlier and return to NLT. (Form included in your toolkit, or register guests online at nisquallylandtrust.org when registration opens.)

Host: At the event, share your enthusiasm for what makes NLT so special and answer any questions your guests may have. During the program, sit back and be inspired to come together and make an impact!

You can choose to purchase a table on your own or ask each of your guests to register individually and list you as their Table Captain.

What this event supports Our Annual Conservation Celebration & Auction is a fun evening to come together to protect land, water, fish, and wildlife in the Nisqually Watershed. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year and helps us keep doing what we do best – preserving and caring for our irreplaceable natural spaces.

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Important Dates

FEB 17	Save the Date Mailed
MAR 1	Registration Opens
MAR 7	Invitations Mailed
APR 20	Table Captain Guest Lists Due
MAY 22	Last date to revise guest list

Table Captain Checklist for Success

TODAY/FEBRUARY

Sign-up online as a Table Captain, or email Nikki Dizon at ndizon@nisquallylandtrust.org. Start building your invitation list. Make a list of family, friends, colleagues, etc.

Send everyone on your invitation list a quick text or email asking them to save the date on their calendars. Your enthusiasm will be contagious – be sure to share why you're excited to be part of the Nisqually Land Trust.

MARCH

- Use your Toolkit Messaging Prompts to invite guests.
- Watch for your personal event invitation to arrive in your email, it's great to forward.

APRIL

- Use your Toolkit Messaging Prompts to confirm guests.
- April 20: Deadline to submit complete guest list for Table. Email your guest list to Nikki at ndizon@nisquallylandtrust.org, and we'll then email confirmation to your guests.

MAY

- May 1: Send a personal event reminder with the date, location and arrival time.
- May 16: Your guests will receive an event eblast from us that will include the event date, location, parking, etc. But remember: your "see you soon" texts, voicemails and emails are essential!
- May 30: Event day. It's here! Have FUN and enjoy the evening with friends!

Post Event: Relax and feel proud of your efforts. Thank your guests!



HOW TO REGISTER

- Go to the event registration page.
- Select a table purchase.
- Fill in your guest names at time of purchase; or enter in a unique table name in the “Group Box”, such as the name of your business or full name, then direct your guests to enter the same when registering individually.

Communication Templates

SAMPLE INVITATION EMAIL

Subject Line: Join me in protecting land, water, and wildlife

Hi [Guest Name],

I serve on the Board of the Nisqually Land Trust and am a big supporter of the Land Trust's conservation work to protect and steward our natural and wild places to benefit salmon recovery and ecosystem health in the South Puget Sound region. Like you, I am deeply passionate about environmental protection and creating a legacy of clean water, healthy forests, and vibrant communities here at home. As part of my commitment, I'm serving as a table captain for this year's Conservation Dinner & Auction.

Will you join me for the evening on May 30 starting at 4:30 pm? It will be a fun way to learn about inspiring local conservation happening here at home. And there will be opportunities to support their work directly through an exciting live auction as well as an online auction beginning May 23.

I hope you will be part of a fun event to help support a mission I care about and make a lasting impact on future conservation work. RSVP at nisquallylandtrust.org.

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU! For questions or additional support, please contact Nikki at ndizon@nisquallylandtrust.org.