

ZOOTAMPA AT LOWRY PARK



# KARAMU

STEP INTO THE WILD



Presented by



# Dear friends of the Zoo,

I am honored to welcome you to the 30th annual Karamu gala! We're honored to be in your company for such a magnificent evening.



It's an exciting time for ZooTampa at Lowry Park, as our future begins now! We have a revitalized identity with an energized brand. We are committed to our mission, every day, to create personalized experiences that connect people with wildlife and each other, in fun, immersive ways. We embrace our obligation to our community, and the major role we will play in the heartbeat of Tampa's future.

ZooTampa at Lowry Park is a recognized leader in caring for Florida wildlife, and we will carry on to expand our capacity to provide excellent long-term care to Florida's threatened and endangered animals, including panthers, manatees and Key deer. It is through your generosity, that we can save the lives of these incredible species.

ZooTampa is thankful for the support of community leaders such as Andrew and Emily Wright, our Karamu co-chairs. We are grateful to be surrounded by selfless and generous friends who join our growing dedication to local and global wildlife conservancy.

It is my privilege and honor to lead this great Zoo of ours. Together, we will create an iconic zoo for our great city, with a bold vision to inspire others to join us in taking action to protect and preserve wildlife for future generations.

Again, welcome, and please enjoy the evening.

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read 'J. A. Couceiro'.

Joseph A. Couceiro  
Chief Executive Officer  
ZooTampa at Lowry Park





## **Welcome to Karamu 2018 at ZooTampa at Lowry Park!**

The Zoo is a staple of Tampa Bay that gives guests a place to connect, create memories and learn about wildlife conservation. This is possible thanks to the generosity and kindness of supporters like you, who are always ready and willing to donate your time, resources and talent to enhance our iconic Zoo.

The zoo holds a special place in our family. Emily and I are proud of this great resource based here in Tampa. We know how much our three girls treasure their experiences at ZooTampa, and are amazed at all the educational opportunities ZooTampa provides to hundreds of thousands of children all year long. And with a fourth girl on the way we are committed to supporting the Zoo's goals.

Emily and I would like to thank Penny and Jeff Vinik and the Lightning foundation. Their leadership in our community is incredible and we are constantly reminded of how lucky we are to have them in Tampa. Regions Bank will be celebrating their 20th year in a row of supporting Karamu, we are all here tonight in large part due to their decades of support. We are grateful for Ken and Jenny Jones with Ashley Furniture, tonight's gala will be their 3rd year as a major sponsor including chairing the event two years ago. We would also like to give thanks to Troy and Elizabeth Fowler and the Triad Organization. Finally, Emily and I wish to congratulate Katie and Alex Sullivan in agreeing to chair Karamu in 2019. With their leadership, we are confident that Karamu will continue to be a fantastic event.

We are proud to be this year's Karamu chairs and are overcome with gratitude for your support. Let's continue to inspire future generations to protect wildlife in 2018 and beyond.

Thank you and warmest regards,  
Andrew & Emily Wright

# Evening Itinerary

6:30 – 8:00 pm  
Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres

Giraffe Feedings and  
Scenic Views of Safari Africa

7:30 pm  
Safari Lodge Doors Open

8:00 pm  
Dinner

9:00  
Live Auction

## Welcome

Joseph A. Couceiro - ZooTampa at Lowry Park,  
Chief Executive Officer

Marylou Bailey - Lowry Park Zoological Society,  
Chair of Board of Trustees

Andrew Wright - Karamu Chair, 2018

Mark Haney - ZooTampa at Lowry Park,  
Chief Advancement Officer

## Live Auction

Taryn and Jason Troutman, Auctioneers

## Entertainment & Dancing

Bay Kings Band





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# **Tonight's Menu**

## **Salad**

Spinach Salad with Apples, White Cheddar, Almonds and Craisins with a Honey Cider Vinaigrette

## **Main Course**

Surf 'N Turf Plate: Filet Mignon with Garlic Shrimp

Butternut Squash Ravioli with a Gorgonzola Cream Sauce

## **Dessert**

Chocolate Lava Cake topped with Sweet Red Cherry Sauce







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# LIVE AUCTION ITEMS



## Masters Golf Tournament Experience

**Attracting the world's attention to Augusta, Georgia each April, this tournament is considered the best by many.**

- Admission for 2 to the 2019 Masters Practice Round on Tuesday, April 9, 2019
- 2-night stay (check in Monday, check out Wednesday) in a 2-bedroom/2-bath private home or condo accommodations in or near Augusta
- 1 round-trip transfer\* between accommodations and event on Tuesday



## Ultimate Broadway

**Private Meet and Greet with Cast Members for a Pre-Show Dinner, Broadway Tickets for 2**

- Private meet and greet with 2 cast members at a pre-show dinner
- 2 mezzanine tickets to your choice of shows: Beautiful, Chicago, Kinky Boots, The Book of Mormon and Wicked
- In-theater meet and greet with a cast member following the show

Penguin naming



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# CHANCE TO WIN

## Fine Jewelry Sweepstakes

Head over to the Silent Auction Room,  
located in Reilly's Reserve to

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give back and win diamonds!**

Suggested minimum donation of \$100

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### Raffle Official Rules

1. A prize in the form of fine jewelry (approximate retail value (ARV) of \$5,000) is being donated by Continental Wholesale Diamonds as a charitable activity of ZooTampa at Lowry Park ("Sponsor"), a not for profit, 501(c)(3) charitable organization, with a company address of 1101 W. Sligh Ave., Tampa, FL 33604. Winners may select one piece among three options available, or elect a local store credit. Store credit option is subject to the terms and conditions of the issuer. Prizes cannot be transferred, redeemed for cash or substituted by winner. Sponsor reserves the right in its sole and absolute discretion to award a substitute prize of equal or greater value if a prize described in these Official Rules is unavailable or cannot be awarded, in whole or in part, for any reason. The ARV of the prize represents Sponsor's good faith determination. That determination is final and binding and cannot be appealed. If the actual value of the prize turns out to be less than the stated approximate ARV, the difference will not be awarded in cash. Restrictions, conditions, and limitations may apply. Sponsor will not replace any lost or stolen prize items.
2. Entries as well as the suggested minimum donation are accepted online via the silent auction technology portal (Qtogo) available as announced during the Karamu event. To enter manually, visit the silent auction station in Reilly's Reserve during the time period when entries are being accepted. Limit two entries per household. No purchase or contribution is required to enter or win. A purchase will not increase the likelihood of winning. Odds of winning will vary depending on the number of eligible entries received.
3. Eligibility to enter is open to all legal residents of Florida who are at least twenty-one (21) years old. Employees of ZooTampa at Lowry Park, Spectra and Zootastic, and other companies associated with Karamu event support and production as well as promotion of the raffle, are ineligible to enter. Household Members and Immediate Family of each such employee(s) are also ineligible to enter or win. "Household Members" are those people who share the same residence at least three months a year. "Immediate Family Members" are parents, step-parents, legal guardians, children, step-children, siblings, step-siblings, or spouses/partners. This raffle is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations and is void where prohibited or restricted by law.
4. Each qualifying entry will result in the optional opportunity for a glass of champagne and a green blinking plastic ring by visiting the silent auction station in Reilly's Reserve. Entrants are also encouraged (but not required) to complete their own paper drawing entry forms.
5. Participation in this raffle constitutes full agreement to the terms and conditions noted. By entering the raffle, you grant permission to the Sponsor to share your name and likeness as part of a winner's list or in post-event publicity. Winning a prize as outlined above is contingent upon compliance with the Official Rules. All federal, state and/or local taxes, fees, and surcharges are the sole responsibility of the prize winner.
6. The prize is to be awarded by random drawing on Saturday, April 7, 2018 during the Karamu event between the hours of 8:00 and 11:00 PM, EST. The winner must be present to receive their prize; should the winner be absent or fail to respond to the announcement of prize results, the prize is forfeited and a new winner will be randomly selected. This will continue until the prize is awarded.
7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: Sponsor assumes no responsibility or liability for (a) any incorrect or inaccurate entry information, or for any faulty or failed electronic data transmissions; (b) any unauthorized access to, or theft, destruction or alteration of entries at any point in the operation of this raffle; (c) any technical malfunction, failure, error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or communications line failure, regardless of cause, with regard to any equipment, systems, networks, lines, satellites, servers, camera, computers or providers used in any aspect of the raffle operation; (d) inaccessibility or unavailability of any network or wireless service, the Internet or website or any combination thereof; (e) suspended or discontinued Internet, wireless or landline phone service; or (f) any injury or damage to participant's or to any other person's computer or mobile device which may be related to or resulting from any attempt to participate in the raffle or download of any raffle materials. If, for any reason, the raffle is not capable of running as planned for reasons which may include without limitation, infection by computer virus, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes which may corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the raffle, the Sponsor reserves the right at its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the raffle in whole or in part. In such event, Sponsor shall immediately suspend all drawings and prize awards, and Sponsor reserves the right to award any remaining prize (up to the total ARV as set forth in these Official Rules) in a manner deemed fair and equitable by Sponsor. Sponsor shall not have any further liability to any participant in connection with the raffle.



# GET READY FOR SILENT AUCTION TEXT BIDDING

Tonight we are using a mobile text bidding site, Qtego. Please be sure to register your phone at check-in or with a Zoo volunteer.

## To place a bid:

Reply to a Qtego text with the 3 digit item number and your bid in whole dollars. You'll receive a text confirming your bid. You'll also get a text if someone outbids you.

Text bid example [item 101 for \$250]:

**101 250**

## To make a donation:

Reply to a Qtego text with the word GIVE, followed by the amount.

Donation example: GIVE 100

All proceeds benefit animal care & conservation initiatives of the Zoo.

Special note: There will be golf carts and volunteers to assist with loading items in your car.

## SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

### Item Number: 101

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Animal art painted by Lucy, our Florida Panther.

### Item Number: 102

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Animal art painted by Stella, our ring-tailed lemur.

### Item Number: 103

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Animal art painted by our African penguin chicks.

### Item Number: 104

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Animal art painted by members of our Elephant herd: Ellie, Matjeka, Sdudla and Mbali

### Item Number: 105

Donor: Libertine

Description: Pair of Butterfly art pieces painted by award-winning artist Timothy Raines.

### Item Number: 106

Donor: Alan and Heidrun Divers

Description: Stunning cheetahs with beautiful concoction of color painted by widely know South Tampa Artist Alan Divers.

### Item Number: 107

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Unique painting by Ellie, an African elephant.

### Item Number: 108

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Add one-of-a-kind art to your home with a painting from Tinkerbell, one of our African penguins.

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# SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

**Item Number: 109**

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Add one-of-a-kind art to your home with a painting from Goyang, one of our orangutans.

**Item Number: 110**

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Add one-of-a-kind art to your home with a painting from Twiggy, one of our chimpanzees.

**Item Number: 111**

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Add a one-of-a-kind art to your home with a pawprint cast from Mata, one of our Malaysian tigers.

**Item Number: 112**

Donor: ZooTampa at Lowry Park

Description: Check out this intricate piece crafted by our orangutan, Dee Dee. She loves art and craft time!

**Item Number: 201**

Donor: LaFrance

Description: Embrace the wild with this exotic sterling silver necklace featuring a Tigers Eye lizard.

**Item Number: 202**

Donor: Mavilo

Description: Look fierce with this extraordinary diamond bar white gold necklace.

**Item Number: 203**

Donor: TS Savage

Description: Add a bohemian piece to your jewelry collection with this beautiful turquoise necklace.

**Item Number: 204**

Donor: Touch of Gold

Description: Feel a touch of elegance with this gold bangle.

**Item Number: 205**

Donor: Gold and Diamond Source

Description: You'll look stunning in these plum chalcedony pear shape drop earrings.

**Item Number: 301**

Donor: Vera Bradley

Description: Travel in style with this amazing collection of Vera Bradley accessories.

**Item Number: 302**

Donor: J. McLaughlin | Vineyard Vines | Paradise Island Boutique | JC Newman

Description: Enjoy an incredible shopping spree experience at high-end South Tampa retail stores.

**Item Number: 303**

Donor: Casa Nova | Z Gallerie | Crespo Design Group

Description: Refurnish or add some spice to your home with this luxurious home décor package.

**Item Number: 304**

Donor: Apple Sauce Boutique | Target

Description: The ultimate baby shower gift with an array of Target Gift cards and boutique stuffed animals.

**Item Number: 305**

Donor: Noble Crust | The Lucky Dill | Sea Salt St. Pete | Bulla | Zoes Kitchen | Ciccio's | Willie Jewell's Old School Bar-B-Q

Description: Feast on the finest foods in Greater Tampa with this package of fantastic gift certificates.



# SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

**Item Number: 306**

Donor: The Robbins Family

Description: Expand your wine collection with a variety of wines from around the world.

**Item Number: 307**

Donor: Blur Nightclub & Showbar | Willie Jewell's Old School Bar-B-Q | Flamestone American Grill | Columbia Restaurant | Blind Tiger Coffee Roasters | La Segunda

Description: Taste Tampa Bay with this huge gift certificate package for food in Greater Tampa Bay.

**Item Number: 308**

Donor: Anonymous

Description: Stock your bar with this assortment of liquor bottles.

**Item Number: 309**

Donor: Vigo & Alessi | Sprouts Farmers Market | Fresh Market | Whole Foods

Description: Stock your cabinets with this incredible variety of gift cards to groceries and an array of Alessi/Vigo products.

**Item Number: 310**

Donor: Melitta Coffee

Description: Here is your chance to furnish your home or business with a high grade coffee starter kit.

**Item Number: 311**

Donor: Wright's | Nothing Bundt Cakes | Toffee-to-Go

Description: Satisfy your cravings with gift cards for sweet treats around Tampa.

**Item Number: 312**

Donor: Starbucks

Description: If you love coffee or hoping to treat the office, this heavenly delicious package hits the spot.

**Item Number: 313**

Donor: Canoe Outpost | Dinosaur World | Sunken Gardens | Florida Aquarium

Description: This fun package has it all for your family: canoeing, dinosaurs, sea life and botanical gardens.

**Item Number: 314**

Donor: SeaWorld | Hampton Inn & Suites | Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex

Description: An overnight trip to Orlando for a weekend of fun at SeaWorld and Kennedy Space Space Center.

**Item Number: 315**

Donor: Skydive City/Z-Hills

Description: Test your fears and the feel rush of adrenaline as you jump out of a plane in this sky-diving trip.

**Item Number: 316**

Donor: Busch Gardens

Description: Enjoy an exciting day at Busch Gardens Tampa with your family or friends.

**Item Number: 317**

Donor: Henry B Plant Museum | Sarasota Opera | Tampa Theatre | Tampa Improv | John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art | Florida Orchestra | Arthur Murray | American Stage

Description: Embrace the culture of Tampa Bay with this incredible set of various attractions across the region.

**Item Number: 318**

Donor: Yacht Starship Cruise | Pirate Water Taxi

Description: Enjoy a day on the Bay with your friends or family with Yacht Starship and Pirate Taxi.



# SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

**Item Number: 319**

Donor: Franklin Street

Description: Here is your chance to experience a family friendly event at a suite in Amalie Oil.

**Item Number: 320**

Donor: Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Description: The ultimate Buc fan experience which includes game tickets, spring training, and a signed Winston football.

**Item Number: 321**

Donor: Bayshore Fit | Perez Orthodontics | Vein 911

Description: Stay fit and look good with this great package.

**Item Number: 322**

Donor: Massage Envy | Crave | Bay Area Neuro Clinic | David Gavin Salon | Bevel Aesthetics | OM Skincare | Wave Pilates

Description: Relax and recover with this ultimate pamper package.

**Item Number: 323**

Donor: Bevel Aesthetics-Castellano | OM Skincare | Dr. Farrior

Description: Rejuvenate your skin with this package full of amazing gift certificates.

**Item Number: 324**

Donor: The RITZ Ybor | Hamptons Inn & Suites

Description: Hit the town and celebrate Cinco de Mayo with passes to The Ritz Ybor event, includes a stay at the Hampton Inn Ybor.

**Item Number: 401**

Donor: Waterline Marina | Everett Reality

Description: Escape to Anna Maria in the brand new Waterline Marina Resort. Spend a half day in the water fishing for Tarpon.

**Item Number: 402**

Donor: Barefoot Beach Hotel | Sirata Beach Resort | The Don CeSar | Vera Bradley

Description: Enjoy St Pete Beach with these incredible hotel stays.

**Item Number: 403**

Donor: The Vinoy Renaissance Hotel | Downtown St. Pete Hampton Inn & Suites | The Birch & Vine

Description: Escape to downtown St Pete with these incredible hotel stays and eatery options.

**Item Number: 404**

Donor: Aloft Downtown Tampa | Oxford Exchange | Malios

Description: Stay and play in downtown Tampa with dinner, an overnight stay, and brunch.

**Item Number: 405**

Donor: Marriott Waterside Tampa | Marriot Tampa Westshore | Hilton Tampa Downtown | Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay

Description: Tampa hotel package for all your out of town guests, or business needs.



# **Thank you to this year's KARAMU CHAIRS**

Andrew and Emily Wright, 2018

## **Please join us in welcoming our 2019 CHAIRS**

Alex and Katie Sullivan, 2019

### **Honor with us, our past chairs:**

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