

LET THE BIDDING BEGIN!

Michigan Architectural Foundation's Annual Auction for Education Opens Online Today!



Want the chance to see the Detroit Tigers in a Comerica Park suite with nine of your closest friends?

How about the chance add artwork and renderings by legendary Detroit architects Albert Kahn and Louis Redstone to your home or office?

Or, want to score great concert tickets and autographed rock memorabilia?

[Michigan Architectural Foundation \(MAF\) kicks off its annual Auction for Education today](#) (July 20) at 6 pm, with online bidding now through Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 1:00 pm.

The auction raises funds to provide architectural awareness grants to Michigan non-profit organizations and AIA Michigan chapters for programming such as architectural tours, lectures, films, events, architecture student scholarships, and more.

This year's bid items include:

- Fleetwood Mac tickets at Little Caesars Arena - plus a Mick Fleetwood autographed drum head
- Detroit Tigers game for 10 in a suite at Comerica Park
- Vacation stay packages at various top resort hotels
- Collectable rendering and artwork by famed Detroit architects Albert Kahn and Louis Redstone

"We are excited about this year's auction, and to once again offer the auction online for participants everywhere," said MAF trustee and 2018 Auction for Education Committee chair, Bob Daverman, AIA. "Bidders will have some great items to bid on, with other items added throughout the auction period."



How the online auction works:

- Visit <https://www.32auctions.com/MAF-Auction-2018> and register
- Many items can be purchased outright with the “Buy It Now” feature (eligible items are noted with price of approximately 70% of market value)
- For other items, bids can be placed until the closing date.
- Online items below 70% will not be immediately awarded but advance to the live auction at the AIA Michigan/AGC of Michigan Mid-Summer Conference at Mackinac Island, and then be available only to conference attendees.
- Any item that does not receive a higher live auction bid (which closes Saturday, August 4 at 7 p.m.) than the online bid will be awarded to the on-line bidder.

“Architecture plays a significant role in our local culture, influences our well-being, strengthens community investment, and serves a source of pride for those who live, work and play in our cities and neighborhoods,” said Daverman. “Through efforts like the annual auction, MAF is able to illustrate how architecture makes our lives and our communities better and ignite the public’s interest in the built environment.” Since 2000, over \$70,000 in MAF community & chapter grants have been awarded.

“MAF is grateful to our generous donors and auction participants who make these grants possible. Our auction goal is to raise \$17,500, and we already started with a bang, with the great success of our recent annual MAF Golf Outing.”

MAF’s Golf Outing was held May 21 at Dearborn Country Club. Through registrations and generous donations by MAF supporters including Bob Washer, Hon. AIAMI; High Velocity Sports of Canton; SmithGroupJJR; Mike Neville, FAIA; Doug Kueffner, AIA; Ghafari Associates; Shanty Creek Resorts; Ideal Contracting; and Daverman, \$2,260 was raised.

The auction will initially run online, opening for bidding to the public Friday, July 20 at 6 pm, and closing Wednesday, August 1 at 1:00 pm.

If you want to support Michigan architecture and the auction, donate an item by contacting Bob Daverman at 616-401-7793 or rdaverman81952@gmail.com.

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