

TOP CAT & TAILS

Virtual **GALA**

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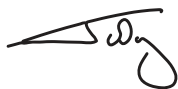
Dear Friends,

Hello and thank you for tuning in to the 2020 Top Cat & Tails Virtual Gala! I think it's safe to say that this is not the gala any of us anticipated. While we're all growing accustomed to our new virtual world, we – like many of you – held out hope that this would be an evening filled with handshakes, hugs and of course, pets for our adoptable animals. But if I've learned anything from my time at Larimer Humane Society, I've learned to embrace the unexpected. It's through the unexpected that we learn to be flexible, patient, responsive and compassionate.

The 2020 Top Cat & Tails Virtual Gala has provided all of us with the opportunity to embrace the unexpected. While we've carried over several gala mainstays – such as the silent auction and beloved Pet Parade – we're bringing them to you in an entirely new format. And while we can't sit and share a meal with you, we hope that you're enjoying the locally-sourced treats in your Gala Party Box, or relaxing into a refreshment of your choosing.

The Top Cat & Tails Gala continues to be our largest annual fundraiser. This year, much has changed. However, your support remains critical to ensuring bright outcomes for the thousands of animals in our care. So please join me in embracing the unexpected, and enjoy Larimer Humane Society's first virtual Top Cat & Tails Gala.

With gratitude,



Judith A. Calhoun, CFRE, CAWA
CEO



Schedule of Events

6PM VIRTUAL SILENT AUCTION & COCKTAIL HOUR

7PM LIVESTREAM BEGINS

7:40PM VIRTUAL FUNDRAISING APPEAL

8PM EVENT CONCLUDES

9PM SILENT AUCTION CLOSSES

How to Join

Stream the gala from our homepage on October 10th:

WWW.LARIMERHUMANE.ORG

Register for the auction before or during the live stream:

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How to Bid

This year, we'll be hosting Larimer Humane Society's first online, virtual auction and special fundraising appeal in support of northern Colorado's homeless and abandoned animals. As our largest fundraiser of the year, we're counting on your support to make Larimer Humane Society's virtual gala a success!

HOW TO BID

The virtual auction opens on Monday, October 3rd at 12pm, and will close on Saturday, October 10th at 9pm, following the conclusion of our livestream event. Participation is fun and easy! Simply follow these three steps:

1. Register your mobile number and credit card information on our event registration page (gala.larimerhumane.org) in advance of the event or upon arrival.
2. Once the auction is open, you will receive an automated 'Welcome' text with a link to your personal bidding and giving page.
3. Click the link in the text to view, search, and bid on all available packages!

HELPFUL BIDDING TIPS

- You can choose to set a maximum bid. If your max bid is the highest, the system will automatically bid in your favor until you are outbid or until the silent auction closes. If your bid is lower than the highest max bid on that package, you will be prompted to enter a higher bid.
- To purchase a package at the Buy Now price, select the Buy button.
- If you're out-bid at any point before the silent auction closes, you will receive a text message.
- To view packages you are bidding on, click the menu button and select Bids.
- Once the auction closes, the guest with the highest bid will win.
- You can check your winning packings in the Bids area.

How to Give

To show your support for the animals in our care, you may make a donation at any point during the auction or livestream event. Here's how:

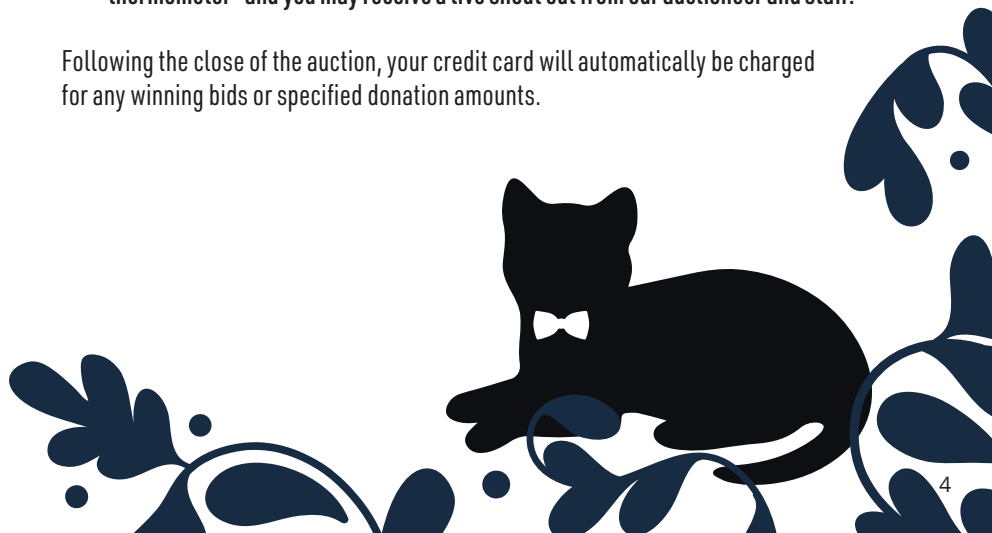
1. Gain access to your personal bidding page by following the three simple steps outlined in the "How to Bid" guide.
2. Once you have access to your personal bidding page, select the Donation button on your home screen and choose a preset amount or select the Custom Amount button to enter the amount you wish to donate.

SPECIAL FUNDRAISING APPEAL

Here's how to make your donation as part of the special fundraising appeal:

1. Have a secondary device (your phone, tablet or laptop) opened to your personal bidding page once the special fundraising appeal begins during the livestream.
2. Click on the Donate button, and then select the preset donation amount that corresponds with the donation amount being requested by the auctioneer (just like raising your paddle at a traditional gala).
3. Receive thanks! Your donation will automatically be recognized on our "goal thermometer" and you may receive a live shout out from our auctioneer and staff!

Following the close of the auction, your credit card will automatically be charged for any winning bids or specified donation amounts.



Auction Rules

ITEM PICK UP

Items will be available for pick up at Larimer Humane Society (3501 E 71st St Loveland, CO) on October 13th and 14th from 11am-6pm MDT. All gift cards or paper certificates will be mailed to the address provided upon registration. If you need to make other arrangements, please contact development@larimerhumane.org.

TERMS OF SALE

All items and services are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the donors.

All sales are final. There will be no exchanges or refunds, Larimer Humane Society does not make any expressed or implied warranties or guarantee on auction items regarding quality or value of items or services. Larimer Humane Society has attempted to describe and catalog all items correctly, but all items are offered and sold "as is" and "with all faults."

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Reservations for trips and vacation accommodations must be mutually arranged with the donor unless otherwise noted. No refunds will be allowed on travel packages for canceled tickets and/or accommodations.

By the buyer's purchase, the buyer waives any claim for liability against Larimer Humane Society, its elected and appointed officials, members and employees, sponsors, volunteers connected with the auction, and/or the donor of the item. Neither Larimer Humane Society nor the donor is responsible for any personal injuries or damage that may result from the use of the property or services.

TAX INFORMATION

Your receipt will be mailed to you following the event and lists the fair market value of each item you have purchased. Any amount you pay over the fair market value would normally be available to you as a charitable contribution for tax purposes. Please consult with your tax advisor for specifics.

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Live Auction

The 22nd Annual Top Cat & Tails Gala will feature three stunning "live" auction items. These items will be available for bidding at the opening of the auction on October 3rd. However, please note that bidding on these three items will close during the live auction segment of the livestream event.

Steamboat Getaway

It's finally time to get away from home – but not too far – with a mountain retreat in beautiful Steamboat Springs. Treat yourself to a romantic getaway, or invite the entire family to join you for two nights in a four bedroom, ski-in ski-out condo. Whether you want to spend three days on the slopes or enjoy Steamboat's fine dining and shopping, a selection of gift cards to local businesses will help you enjoy your stay!

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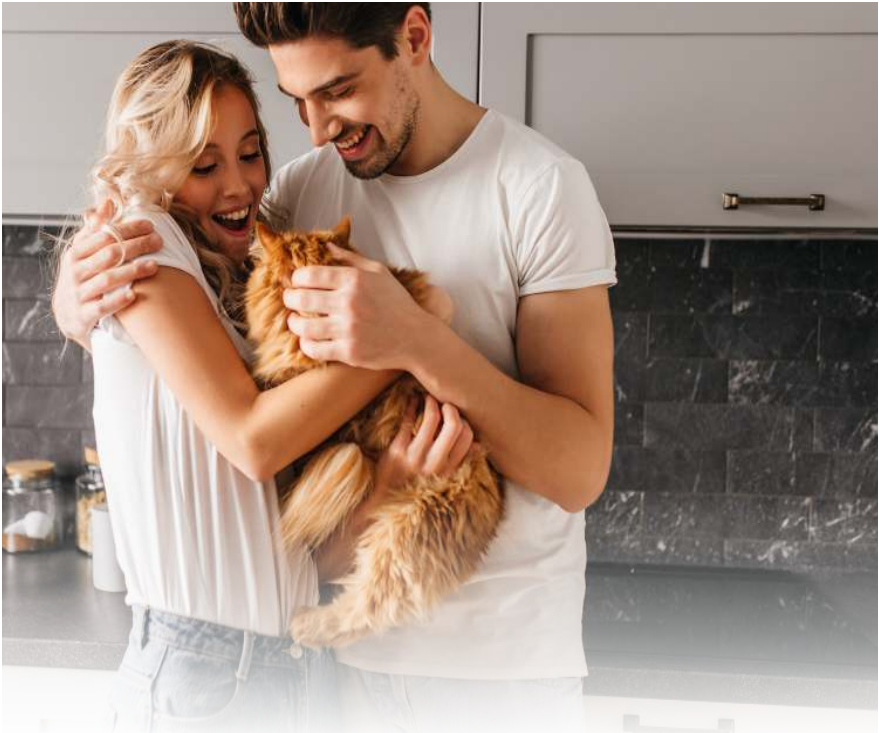
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