

LIVE FROM VERGE

**IT'S
SATURDAY
NIGHT**



DINNER

WE'RE ON THE VERGE OF SOMETHING GREAT

If you're reading this, you are taking part in one of Verge Center for the Arts' most historic events to date. The unprecedented circumstances we all find ourselves in have forced us to rethink and reprioritize many of the day-to-day rituals we used to take for granted, and simple things, like getting together with friends for dinner, are now viewed in a whole new light.

What we are hoping to bring to you is, at its core, a vital part who Verge is as an institution, and what sets us apart. We believe it's the people -- our staff, our artists, our supporters, our collaborators -- together, we create something that is absolutely more than the sum of its parts.

This year's TV Dinner is unlike anything we've tried or seen, but with the people who built, love, nurture, and care for Verge behind us, we're confident we can pull off something remarkable.

Thanks for tuning in!



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SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE (STREAM)

April 25, 2020

5:00 PM Musical Guest

5:15 PM Live with Liv

5:30 PM MC Ham

9:00 PM Bidding Ends

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ONLINE AUCTION BIDDER'S GUIDE

ONLINE BIDDING ENDS APR. 25, 2020 AT 9:00 PM

1. Bidding begins at 10:00 AM on Monday, April 20, 2020 (PST) via our Greater Giving bidding platform at <https://tinyurl.com/VergeSNL>
2. Online bidding ends at 9:00 PM (PST) on Saturday, April 25, 2020. The highest bidder at the close of bidding will be awarded the auction item.

Winners who have registered online through the bidding site will be

3. charged for their lots that same evening. Winning bids via proxy may submit payment in cash, check, or credit card. Checks should be made payable to Verge Center for the Arts. Winners must pay sales tax of 8.75% on the final purchase price, where applicable.

Verge Center for the Arts will coordinate delivery of physical auction

4. items directly with the winning bidder, where applicable. Art experiences and artwork commissions will be coordinated via email.

The amount paid over fair market value of the item is tax-deductible

5. and is considered a donation to Verge Center for the Arts. Example: if an item has a fair market value of \$100 and is purchased for \$150, the tax-deductible amount is \$50.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. Unless otherwise specified, buyer information will be released.
2. All lots are sold "**as is.**" Verge Center for the Arts makes no statements, warranties, or representations as to the accuracy of any auction item's description, genuineness, provenance, or condition.
3. Verge Center for the Arts reserves the right to withdraw any item offered for bid, at any time.
4. Experience-based auction items must be redeemed **within 18 months of the purchase date, contingent on public health safety protocol.**

BID HIGH, WIN EXTRA

If your winning bid is at or above value, you will receive a complimentary bottle of Veuve Clicquot champagne! Look for this logo (right) on eligible auction items to plan your bids accordingly.





BECOME A VERGE HERO

SUPPORT FUND-A-NEED

We have always been grateful to have a community of supporters surrounding us, and this year more than ever, we want to shine a light on people who have generously stepped up to help see Verge through to the other side of these turbulent times.

As a way to show our thanks, we are happy to announce that any donor who contributes to Verge during this unprecedented time of need will be recognized as a Verge Hero in a prominent lobby display as well as in the Sac Open Studios guide. We're so proud of the faith you've put in us to continue to provide quality art resources and educational experiences to our community.

ABOUT VERGE: Verge Center for the Arts has a mission to provide low and no-cost arts resources to the Sacramento Valley. Our unique organizational model enables us to serve a broad audience. We present five exhibitions a year that focus on challenging art by emerging and career artists from outside of Sacramento, emphasizing the newest work possible. Our resident artist studios provide low-cost workspace to our region's talent, fostering a new generation of art stars. Fifty percent of Verge's youth education programs are provided free-of-charge to any child who qualifies for a free lunch in the city or county of Sacramento. Verge presents Sac Open Studios, the largest self-guided, citywide event in Sacramento showcasing the work of over 250 local artists.



ART TOUR & PRIVATE TASTING AT THE DONUM ESTATE

Bring a group of your friends with you to Sonoma as you explore The Donum Estate's remarkable grounds, courtesy of their singular "Discover" tour! This group experience includes a group seated tasting paired with small bites from the estate's garden, followed by a walking art tour of the sculpture collection featuring works by Ai Weiwei, Keith Haring, Subodh Gupta, Doug Aitken, and more.

Advanced reservation required, contingent on public health safety protocol.

Group experience for up to 12 people

With gratitude to The Donum Estate

Must be redeemed by December 31, 2021

BID HIGH!
This item is eligible for
a free bottle of champagne



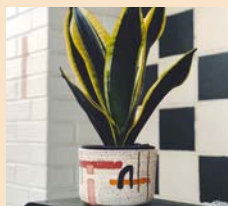


DINNER SET FOR TWO BY ECHERI CERAMICS

Handmade in Echeri's Sacramento studio, this dinner set includes two 9" dinner plates, two of their popular 6" pasta bowls, and two 10 ounce mugs. All pieces are microwave safe, food safe, and dishwasher safe.

About Echeri Ceramics:

Luis and Ale of Echeri Ceramics are a husband and wife team who combine contemporary design with the traditional medium of ceramics. A favorite of the Sacramento community, Echeri's wares have been sold at local shops including Miel Apothecary and Little Relics in Sacramento, and Secret Garden in Elk Grove. Each piece is handmade on the potter's wheel and glazed with gorgeous colors and designs inspired by Luis and Ale's experiences and Mexican heritage. Ale also teaches ceramics and taught a wheel throwing class at Verge just last year.





"WHEN A DOOR CLOSSES, OPEN A PORTHOLE" BY DEBORAH PITTMAN

This ceramic sculpture by Deborah Pittman is a contemporary take on a decorative vase. Made with pierced white clay and adorned with a blue underglaze design, this sculpture is the perfect centerpiece for your next dinner party or a striking addition to your home art collection.

About Deborah:

Deborah often begins her process by throwing a symmetrical clay pot on the wheel which she then manipulates and adds non symmetrical decorative elements. She loves the appearance of unglazed clay so many of her ceramic sculptures are only partially glazed. Her ceramics take many forms, including non-functional pierced pots, small floral vessels, and custom funerary urns.





COCKTAILS WITH MERLE AXELRAD

You and your friends will spend an evening at home with Merle for a behind-the-scenes look at her distinct textile work alongside other noteworthy pieces in her remarkable private collection -- but with a twist. The other artists in her collection will be joining the fun! Be sure to bid on this unique experience to join Merle as she hosts an intimate mixer with a who's who of Sacramento artistic talents. Seasonal beverages and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

Mutually agreeable date, contingent on public health safety standards. Minimum four weeks advance notice required to begin scheduling.

Group experience for up to 16 people

With gratitude to Merle Axelrad

Must be redeemed by October 31, 2021

BID HIGH!
This item is eligible for
a free bottle of champagne





SACRAMENTO PUBLIC ART TOUR

Sit back and enjoy a curated tour through the best public art stops right here in Sacramento. Join Shelly Willis (former Public Art Director of the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission) as she leads you on a limo tour through town, ending with cocktails and a behind-the-scenes look at the home and private collection of noted local gallerist, Pamela Skinner.

Mutually agreeable date, contingent on public health safety standards. Minimum two weeks advance notice required to begin scheduling.

Group experience for up to 8 people

With gratitude to Pamela Skinner and Shelly Willis

Must be redeemed by October 31, 2021

BID HIGH!
This item is eligible for
a free bottle of champagne





CUSTOM DIGITAL PORTRAIT BY BEN DELLA ROSA

Transform yourself or someone you love into one of Ben Della Rosa's whimsical characters by bidding on this custom virtual portrait commission.

About Ben:

Ben Della Rosa is a multidisciplinary designer, illustrator, printmaker and founding partner of the print studio Interval Press, located right here at Verge. He has designed the branding for Sacramento businesses including Camellia Coffee Roasters, Empress Tavern, and Verge! Ben's illustrations often feature playful portraits and characters composed of vibrant colors and eye catching shapes.





CUSTOM PORTRAIT BY LAURELIN GILMORE

Express your inner earth god or goddess with a custom portrait commission by Verge resident artist, Laurelin Gilmore. Have yourself or a loved one featured in a portrait which combines the subject's personality with natural and phantasmagorical elements.

About Laurelin:

Laurelin Gilmore is a Verge resident artist who is best known for her fantasy oil paintings that blend animal or insect attributes with the human form. The artist uses realism to invite the viewer to suspend disbelief, and fantasy elements to expand on themes of feminine power, totem and spirit animals, and both the habitation of the planet and of the body. In an era when human beings have come to celebrate the potential of the synthetic, the artist reminds us that we are still deeply connected to the organic.





CUSTOM PORTRAIT BY BRYAN VALENZUELA

Which words would you use to describe yourself? Bryan Valenzuela will use these words to create a custom portrait in his signature style which includes his unique technique of using handwritten text to create depth, value, and meaning within the figure.

About Bryan:

*Bryan Valenzuela is a nationally known artist who has multiple public artworks throughout the country including his sculptural installation, **Multitudes Converge**, at the Golden One Center and murals in multiple cities including San Francisco, Chicago, Napa, and Sacramento. Bryan is known for his unique drawing technique using handwritten text to create the shape, shadows, and planes of the figure.*





SAN FRANCISCO ART FAIRS + VERGE

Explore San Francisco's dynamic international art fairs this coming January, with Verge as your guide! We'll provide you with a first-hand look at the best and brightest talents in contemporary art and design. Your day will begin at Verge where a chartered shuttle will meet us to take the group into San Francisco for an exciting itinerary that includes UNTITLED, ART and FOG Design+Art. Refreshments and boxed lunches will be provided.

Trip date: January 15, 2021*

Only 20 spots are available for this unique experience -- claim yours today!

**We will stay in communication with fair organizers and alert you to any changes to the date prompted by public health safety protocol. Any such changes will be communicated to you as soon as possible.*



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BUILD YOUR COLLECTION • \$100/BOTTLE

AMEZTOI

Primus
País Vasco (Sp)
2018

ANTHESIS

Pinot Noir
Sonoma Mountain
2016

BUCKLIN OLD HILL

RANCH
1885 Field Blend
Sonoma
2016

DESIRE LINES

Lichau Hill Cabernet
Sauvignon
Petaluma Gap
2018

DOMAINE CARNEROS

La Terre Promise Pinot
Noir
Napa Valley
2011

DOMAINE CHANTE

CIGALE
Blanc
Chateauneuf-du-Pape (Fr)
2017

DOMAINE SAUMAIZE-

MICHELIN

Vignes Blanches
Pouilly-Fuissé (Fr)
2017

DOMAINE TEMPIER

BANDOL

Bandol Blanc
Provence (Fr)
2017

DOMAINE OTT

Blanc de Blancs
Cotes de Provence (Fr)
2017

ESMONIN

Pinot Noir
Cote de Nuits (Fr)
2018

FAILLA

Pinot Noir
Sonoma Coast
2018

FORADORI

Manzoni Bianco
Vigneti delle Dolomiti (It)
2018

FRANK FAMILY

VINEYARDS

Carneros Chardonnay
Napa
2018

GRAMENON

La Sagesse Grenache
Cotes du Rhone (Fr)
2017

HALCYON

Chardonnay
Alder Springs, Mendocino
2018



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JUSTIN

Savant Blend
Paso Robles
2017

KEELER ESTATE

Biodynamic Pinot Noir
Eola-Amity Hills
2016

LAIRD

Jillian's Blend
Napa Valley
2015

LOUIS M. MARTINI

Cabernet Sauvignon
Napa
2017

McINTYRE

Pinot Noir
Santa Lucia Highlands
2017

MEYER FAMILY

Spitfire Cabernet
Sauvignon
Oakville
2016

OLIVARES

Dulce Monastrell
Jumilla (Sp)
2004

PENNER-ASH

Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley
2017

PERTICAIA

Montefalco Sagrantino
Umbria (It)
2013

PODERE SAPIAIO

Italian Red
Bolgheri (It)
2016

PRODUTTORI DEL

BARBARESCO

Nebbiolo
Barbaresco (It)
2016

RIDGE

Zinfandel blend
Geyserville
2017

ROBERT DENOGENT

"Les Sardines"
Chardonnay
Macon-Villages (Fr)
2017

SCHLOSS

GOBELSBURG

Gaisburg Riesling
Kamptal, Austria
2015

SILVER STAG

Cabernet Sauvignon
Napa Valley
2016

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STAG'S LEAP

Artemis Cabernet
Sauvignon
Napa
2017

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Napa
2017

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Russian River Valley
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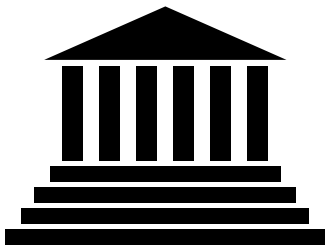
**AND THE CREATIVITY
MADE POSSIBLE IN SACRAMENTO
BY VERGE CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

A close-up photograph of several thick, green aloe vera leaves with serrated edges, set against a solid pink background. The leaves are arranged in a fan-like pattern, with some pointing upwards and others downwards. The entire image is framed by a thin white border.

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