



Honoring the Brilliance of our Diamond Anniversary & 60 years
PHOENIX INDIAN CENTER GALA & NATIVE AMERICAN ART AUCTION
April 19, 2008 & Phoenix Convention Center

December 14, 2007

Dear Friend:

On behalf of the Phoenix Indian Center, I have a wonderful opportunity I want to share with you. As a community, we are working together to support the annual Phoenix Indian Center Gala and Native American Art Auction, with several persons volunteering their time to support this important event. We are planning the 25th annual event, celebrating the Center's 60 years of history and strong reputation not only providing quality services over the years but also for hosting an outstanding fundraising event. Artists featured in the art auction have included Harry Fonseca, Juan Quick-to-See Smith, Shonto Begay, Steve Yazzie and Clifford Beck to name a few. This is a great place for seasoned and up and coming Native artists to have their works seen.

We hold your reputation and support of Indian causes in the highest esteem and would like to extend a personal offer to you to participate. Please help support the Phoenix Indian Center with a donated piece from your collection or studio, a service from your business or fine collectible for the auction to be held during the fundraising event.

This year the dinner will be held at the Phoenix Convention Center on April 19, 2008, with Mayor Phil Gordon and Ak-Chin Chairwoman Delia Carlyle serving as event Honorary Co-Chairpersons. The event planners are experienced fundraising and public relations professionals who are working hard to ensure artists also have a valued relationship with the event and the event participants. Additionally, we plan on reserving a number of seats and part of the program to recognize and promote your role and contribution to this well-recognized fundraising event.

Please give generously as the funds raised for the Phoenix Indian Center continue their good work to support our urban Indian brothers and sisters here in Arizona. If you are interested in donating an artwork, collectible or service, please contact us via email at gala@phxindcenter.org and we will be in touch with you regarding arrangements. For your convenience, I have attached a donor sheet and fact sheet regarding the event.

The Phoenix Indian Center was established in 1947 to serve the needs of the American Indians in downtown Phoenix. In 1954 the Center incorporated with the State of Arizona as a private nonprofit 501(c)3 status. Today, the Center is the primary resource of social, educational support, employment and training and cultural revitalization for urban American Indians. The mission of the Center continues to promote individual self-sufficiency of American Indians living in Maricopa County. Your donation is a great way not only to show off your fabulous work and/or business but also show your support for this strong and long-lasting charity!

Thank you so much – we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Andrea R. Hanley,
Auction Committee Chair

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Encl. Auction Form/Profile/Event Fact Sheet

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