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*Thursday, May 7th*

*6:30pm-10pm*

*Commander's Mansion  
Watertown, MA*

**MUSIC • DANCING • AUCTION**

*Special Performance by our  
VLUS student orchestra*

Come mingle & support our Vassal Lane community  
with live Big Band music, Student Art displays,  
delicious food & cocktails.

**INVITATION TO FOLLOW...**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT-** [www.friendsofVLUS.org](http://www.friendsofVLUS.org) **OR EMAIL-** [friendsofvlus@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofvlus@gmail.com)

# Friends of Vassal Lane Upper School, Inc.

*Building Community, Empowering our Youth*

March 9, 2015

Dear Parents, Family Members, and VLUS Community,

The volunteer Spring Gala Committee and the Friends of VLUS have been hard at work preparing for our **Inaugural Spring Gala on May 7, 2015**. A showcase of our strong artistic community, it will be our coming out party as we celebrate our achievements over three short years. We will honor our in-school community, as we also look outward to our wider community of artists and our place in it.

Come to our Gala and consider donating an item or service to the auction list. **We have some great items already including a walk-on role in a movie, a safari in South Africa, Boston Bruins and Patriots' experience packages.**

**Help us find auction items!** Do you or your employer have a service you can donate: hosted dinner, an hour of massage therapy, garden work and landscaping, health club memberships, or vacation home weekends are some auction item ideas? Or you might have an experience you can donate like movie passes, an outing for 4 middle-schoolers, or sports event tickets. Goods like handcrafted beaded jewelry, wine, portraits, are always popular.

See the attached donation form for specific information.

Please support our Spring Gala as we:

1. Bring our diverse community together in celebration; and,
2. Raise funds to support our student learning, our esteemed faculty and staff, and our school community.

### Our Mission:

The Friends of Vassal Lane Upper School, Inc is a parent-run, non-profit charitable organization that serves as the fundraising group supporting youth empowerment and community building at our school. We strive to provide additional learning opportunities to our students through field trips and program enhancements while also bringing our community of faculty, staff, and families together. We are a new organization, incorporated in 2014.

Please support our middle school community; your generosity will make a real difference.

Yours sincerely,

Natalie Beaumont-Smith  
Chair, Friends of VLUS, Inc

Nicole Payen-Sharif  
Chair, Spring Gala



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*The Friends of Vassal Lane Upper School is a non-profit corporation with a 501(c)(3) designation (Tax ID: 47-1624864). All donations made are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.*

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## Benefit Auction - Donation Form

### Donor Information

Name of Donor: .....

(as you would like it to appear in the online catalog)

Contact Name: .....

Address: .....

City: ..... State: ..... Zip: .....

Phone: ..... Email: .....

Link/URL: .....

(URL for your website if applicable, ex: <http://www.mycompany.com>)

Donor's Signature: ..... Date: .....

### Item Information

Item Name: .....

Fair Market Value (estimated by Donor): \$ .....

Detailed Description: This should include all the information a prospective bidder would need to know (specifications, dimensions, manufacturer, special instructions, etc)

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Restrictions: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Please describe specifics (time limitation and any other restriction for use):

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**Thank you for your generous donation!**

*Your donation supports the mission of the Friends of Vassal Lane Upper School, Inc to enrich our students' experience, empower our youth, and build community at the Vassal Lane Upper School, a Cambridge Public School.*

**Tax ID: 47-1624864. A donation receipt will be sent to you.**

Please send this form and auction item/contribution to the VLUS School Clerk:

Sam Nwaoshai – Spring Gala 2015

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