



News Release

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## **University of St. Thomas to Host Alumni Association Spring Fashion Event**

**WHAT:** The University of St. Thomas Alumni Association Spring Fashion Event featuring fashions provided by Neiman Marcus-Galleria. Proceeds will benefit the UST Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship Fund. Media sponsor is Culture Map.

**WHO:** Katie Cullen Earthman will chair the event that honors alumnae Saba Abashawl '90, Gregory Fields Burk '02, Robin Thomas Klaes '84, Sandra Pezzetta '84. The Honoree in Memoriam is the late Betsy Earthman, UST parent and friend.

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 29, 2010  
Registration: 11:30 a.m.  
Lunch and Fashion Show: noon

**WHERE:** River Oaks Country Club, 1600 River Oaks Blvd.

**BACKGROUND:**

Guests will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets (one for \$20 or six for \$100) for luxury prizes. You do not have to be present to win, but must purchase raffle tickets by 5 p.m. on Wed., April 28. Raffle prizes include:

- A dinner for ten guests catered by City Kitchen (approximate value: \$1,200)
- Randall Davis' Bar None at Diamond Beach: Invite 50-100 of your closest friends to Galveston's newest and only beach bar while watching the sunset. Randall Davis is buying your cocktails (approximate value: \$4,500)
- A Judith Ripka necklace (approximate value: \$2,900)
- International wine consultant and caterer Steven DeMatteo will prepare a delicious pairing of food and wine for your party. This presentation will consist of 7 wines from around the world along with a perfect culinary match. 10 guests will begin the evening with a champagne toast and proceed to learn about the wonderful world of wines. (approximate value: \$650)

Package Deals:

- Four Seasons Executive Suite overnight weekend stay for two; dinner in Quattro Enoteca for two; A pair of complimentary orchestra tickets to Houston Grand Opera's production of Madame Butterfly on Friday, November 5, 2010; Sensia Studio and Japanese Day Spa makeup update, blow dry style and a Lauren Merkin grey embossed leather clutch from Nieman-Marcus (approximate total value: \$1,000)
- Define: Mind and Body one month unlimited classes of yoga and pilates; a \$25 gift card to Naked Bath Products store as well as a ticket for a free pampering session; Clear Stone Laser Hair Removal complimentary bikini complete (Brazilian) and underarm laser hair removal treatment (approximate total value: \$540)
- The Motherhood Center "New Mom" gift basket with 4 gift certificates including: 60 minute massage (prenatal or regular); 2 weeks of free yoga classes; photography session and an 8X10 portrait; 4 hours of babysitting service; A Gift card for one dozen cupcakes at Crave Cupcakes; Itsy Bitsy Boutique private sale event party after hours with adult beverages and light appetizers served for the winner and as many friends as the winner would like to invite to receive 20 percent off entire store. (approximate total value: \$640)
- Hotel Derek one night weekend stay plus complimentary valet parking; two tickets to any 2010-2011 mainstage season production at Stages Repertory Theatre ; Shyn Salon "Polished for the Party" package to include a hydrating mini-facial, eyebrow shaping, shampoo and style, and makeup application; Clear Stone Laser Hair Removal complimentary bikini complete (Brazilian) and underarm laser hair removal treatment. (approximate total value: \$900)
- Cleary Thompson Image Consultants: Holly Thompson, personal stylist, will review your existing closet determining what to discard, keep, & purchase - then how to put it together with a one-hour closet consultation; Plum MZ Wallace Jane Purse from a bientot; Arcodoro (approximate total value: \$500)
- Four free passes to Pinot & Picasso and two bottles of wine. Bring your own wine and paint along with a local artist, who leads you to complete your own masterpiece; Beautiful hand-painted needlepoint canvasses, one gold filigreed cross, two crismons, and a \$50 Needle House gift certificate.

**COST:** Table sponsorships are \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,250. A limited amount of individual tickets will be sold for \$125.

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