

# Live Auction

## ITEM 1 A DAY AT THE U.S. TENNIS OPEN

Enjoy an exciting day of tennis on September 1, 2020, (the second day of the tournament) for up to 6 people with box seats at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadow, New York for the 11:00 AM session. Also included are 2 parking passes, 6 passes to the ACES and Champions restaurants that can be used to make reservations, and a night's stay for two at the Yale Club.

*Tennis donated by AMFF Trustee Mark Comora  
Yale Club stay donated by AMFF President Karen Kaplan  
Approximate value: \$1,500*



## ITEM 2 TWO NIGHTS FOR TWO AT THE LODGE AT SEA ISLAND, GEORGIA



Elegant accommodation for two nights for two people at The Lodge at Sea Island, the only resort in the world to receive four *Forbes* Five-Star awards for eleven consecutive years. Resort fee, tax, and parking included. You will also enjoy a round of golf for two with a cart and forecaddie on any of their championship courses, including Seaside and the newly redesigned Plantation, site of the PGA tour's RSM Classic. Valid through October 29, 2020.

*Donated by Sea Island  
Approximate value: \$2,200*

## ITEM 3 ART IMMERSION WITH NICK DAWES

Join our auctioneer and Antiques Roadshow expert Nick Dawes for an afternoon in the New York art world. Visit auction previews, antique or art galleries, or an Armory show. If you prefer, Nick will visit you to informally appraise your collection and offer advice on all art and antiques matters. Includes lunch for two. Good through October 2020.

*Donated by Nick Dawes  
Approximate value \$500*



ITEM 4

BOGDAN SALMON REEL SERIES 0

There is a waiting list for the remaining reels crafted by Stan Bogdan and only a limited number are sold each year. Today, you can jump to the head of the line and own the definitive salmon reel. This classic 0 series reel is set up for left-hand-wind. At 3.25" in diameter, it is designed to hold a 9-weight line. It features the classic Bogdan styling with the typical S-style handle and weighs 11 ounces. New and in mint condition, it comes in the iconic Bogdan suede reel bag.

*Donated by Steve and Sandy Bogdan  
Approximate value: \$3,000*



ITEM 5

OVERNIGHT STAY AND FISHING AT THE HISTORIC HOLLENBECK CLUB



This is a unique opportunity for two rods to enjoy the tranquility and hospitality of one of Connecticut's oldest private clubs. Host John Mundt will be available to guide you along private beats that include both wading and bank fishing opportunities for brown, brook and rainbow trout along the club's five-mile stretch of the Hollenbeck River in Connecticut's Litchfield Hills. The successful bidder and guest should plan on arriving at the club on a Sunday at noon for lunch with your hosts and to settle down in the club's comfortable guest rooms for an overnight stay. This will be followed by fishing the evening hatch and dinner by the fire. Monday morning fishing can begin at first light or after breakfast depending on your preferences. Your stay will conclude with a relaxing lunch on the sun porch (and a nap if you need one). House wine and waders will be provided so just bring your tackle and an appetite.

Dates are to be mutually arranged for the 2020 season.

*Donated by John Mundt  
Approximate Value: Immeasurable (unless you are a member)*

ITEM 6

BIG CEDAR LODGE/WONDERS OF WILDLIFE VACATION PACKAGE

Discover a remote haven of natural beauty tucked into the rugged landscape of the Missouri Ozark Mountains, overlooking Table Rock Lake.

Inspired by a commitment to conservation, Johnny Morris created Big Cedar Lodge as a destination for families and friends to connect in the great outdoors. With inviting accommodations, spectacular restaurants, two full-service marinas, four golf courses, a 50,000-square-foot activity center, breathtaking spa, unparalleled fishing and countless outdoor adventures, Big Cedar Lodge is a world-class resort where you and your family will make memories to last a lifetime.

A favorite Big Cedar destination is Top of the Rock Ozarks Heritage Preserve where guests enjoy breath-taking views and multiple attractions such as the Lost Canyon Cave and Nature Trail. This 2.5 mile adventure takes place by electric cart through the Ozarks terrain, highlighting stunning rock formations, waterfalls and views of Table Rock Lake. While at Top of the Rock, come face-to-face with prehistoric creatures, view unbelievable Native American and Civil War artifacts, and appreciate beautiful art at the Ancient Ozarks Natural History Museum. This award-winning collection showcases the rich history of the region and pays homage to those that came before us.

Just minutes from Big Cedar Lodge is a 10,000 acre natural paradise at Dogwood Canyon Nature Park. Dogwood Canyon is a one-of-a-kind experience for nature lovers and adventure seekers of all ages. The park offers miles of crystal-clear trout streams, cascading waterfalls, ancient burial caves, hand-built bridges and bottomless pools. Park visitors enjoy hiking, biking, trout fishing, horseback riding, Segway tours and more during their visit to Dogwood Canyon.

This package includes a four night stay in a two room cabin, a half-day of guided trout fishing at Dogwood Canyon, 4 tickets to the Wonders of Wildlife, a day at “America’s best aquarium and best new attraction”, 4 tickets to Lost Canyon Cave, and 4 tickets to the Ancient Ozarks Natural History Museum. Good through October 2020.

*Donated by Johnny Morris and Bass Pro Shops  
Approximate Value: \$4,000*



ITEM 7

TRACKER OX 400

Introducing the OX. A hard-working, no-nonsense, two-person utility vehicle from TRACKER OFF ROAD. Ready to go, the OX 400 delivers 1,200 lbs. towing capacity and a 12-cubic foot heavy-duty cargo box that will haul 500 lbs. With its lifted suspension and aggressive-tread tires the OX is the long-haul dependability you've come to expect from TRACKER.

*Donated by Bass Pro Shops*

*Approximate Value: \$5,800*



ITEM 8

HUNTSMAN TREASURE BOX PAIR BY WALT MATIA

Considered by many to be the nation's premier wildlife sculptor, multiple award-winning artist Walter Matia began casting bronze sculptures in 1980. While initially, he concentrated on bird life, over the years he has worked on sporting dogs and other mammals. In 1987 he began a series of large fountain and garden pieces. In 1989 one of his fountains was placed in the formal garden of the U.S. President's guest residence, Blair House.

This set of wood boxes have a felt interior and are 8 x 11 x 3 inches. The setter bas relief bronze box is set in natural cherry, and the pointer bas relief is set in bronze dark stain cherry

*Donated by Walter Matia*

*Approximate value \$1,100*





Whether the topic is economics or angling, this special lunch for four people at the Anglers' Club of New York will certainly be one to remember. This is your opportunity to speak one-on-one with Robert Rubin, who served as the 70th Secretary of the Treasury, from 1995 to 1999. He is Co-Chair Emeritus of the Council on Foreign Relations and sits on the Advisory Council for The Hamilton Project, which "offers a strategic vision and produces innovative policy proposals on how to create a growing economy that benefits more Americans." Robert Rubin was also AMFF's 2014 Heritage Award recipient.

Dates are to be mutually agreed upon. Valid through October 2020

*Donated by Robert Rubin*  
*Approximate Value: Priceless*

Enjoy a three-night, two-day guided fishing trip aboard a magnificently outfitted Westport 130 yacht, Arms Reach. Four anglers will experience exciting bone-fishing around Andros Island – one of the finest bonefish destinations in the world. Your group (which may contain an additional two non-anglers) will be provided with a well-rounded professional crew, amazing staterooms, and top of the line cuisine. Guests will be picked up at Nassau airport.

Airfare, fishing license (\$36 per day), local guides (\$500 per day per 2 people) and all tips (including to the crew) not included. Schedule to be mutually agreed upon. Please allow at least 2 months prior to booking.

*Donated by Arms Reach*  
*Approximate Value: \$45,000*



# Silent Auction

## ITEM 1 ORVIS HELIOS 3 9FT 4WT OUTFIT WITH MIRAGE II REEL

An angler's dream come true - the Helios 3F is for those who love light-line fishing on big water. Whether western rivers or big still waters, the 3F can present dry flies with the delicacy of a natural, throw streamers to a cut bank with deadly accuracy, and has the reach, feel, and control to handle light nymphing rigs. A remarkable all-around trout rod that allows you to cover a lot of water, but do it with the enhanced accuracy and precision that ultimately is the key to success. It is a rifle in a world of muskets and it autocorrects the variables of the cast to the target with incomparable precision.

*Donated by Orvis*  
*Starting bid: \$800*



## ITEM 2 ANGLERS HOPE BY PAUL FORD

Privately published by Meadow Run Press in 1996. Number 10 of 50 numbered copies signed by the author. Illustrated by Paul Pursell. With tipped-in color reproduction of a Massachusetts sporting license from 1960. Half maroon leather, beige Dutch linen over boards, paper label. As new, in publisher's linen clamshell box.

*Starting bid: \$100*

## ITEM 3 LIVE WATER BY TOM MCGUANE

A signed collection of short stories by AMFF 2017 Heritage Award Recipient Tom McGuane. Number 8 out of 67 copies printed by Meadow Run Press, 1996. Quarter bound in blue morocco and light gray buckram in matching clamshell-style box. Illustrated with tipped-in frontispiece, 11 other tipped-in plates after watercolors and 2 text drawings by John Swan. This edition is numbered and signed by McGuane and Swan.

*Starting bid: \$100*



## ITEM 4 SCIENTIFIC ANGLERS MASTERY FLY LINE

The best line for wherever your travels take you, this set includes a trout line in a 5 weight and a saltwater line in an 8 weight, both from the Scientific Anglers Mastery series.

*Donated by Scientific Anglers*  
*Starting bid: \$50*

ITEM 5 COSTA SUNGLASSES PACKAGE

Head for the water with a Costa cap, long-sleeve tee in size large, logo water bottle, deluxe backpack and, most importantly, a claim code so you can choose your own pair of the world's best sunglasses. Redeem by 12/31/19

Donated by Costa  
Starting bid: \$100



ITEM 6 TARPON PRINT BY JAMES PROSEK 28/32

This limited-edition print was originally commissioned by AMFF Trustee David Nichols in celebration of the 2016 Izaak Walton Award honoring James Prosek. The print has been signed by James.

Starting bid: \$100

ITEM 7 TWO RODS ON THE FARMINGTON OR HOUSATONIC WITH AMFF AMBASSADOR RICH STROLIS

Let Rich Strolis be your guide as you enjoy a full day float trip for up to 2 anglers, including lunch, in Connecticut. As well as being a sought-after guide, Rich is also an acclaimed fly tyer and signature fly designer for the Montana Fly Company, which currently produces over 25 of his patterns. He is also the author of the best-selling book, *Catching Shadows: Tying Flies for the Toughest Fish and Strategies for Fishing Them* and serves as pro staff and advisor for a wide variety of angling companies. The float will either be on the Farmington or Housatonic River, which will be determined as the chosen date nears based on which is either fishing better, has the proper flow to accommodate the outing, or both. All gear with the exception of waders can be provided. Rich is booked until May 2020, so this is a great opportunity to get on his books for next season. Valid through May 2021.

Donated by AMFF Ambassador Rich Strolis  
Starting bid: \$300



ITEM 8 J.H. BECKER RODWORKS 7½', 4WT ROD



Jim Becker builds highly sought after rods just up the road from AMFF. His waiting list is long, but for the 2019 Heritage Award he found some extra time to build a beautiful 7½ ft, 2-piece, 2 tip, 4 WT rod. If you like bamboo rods, you should definitely have one of these in your collection – happiness on the water guaranteed!

Provided by Jim Becker  
Starting bid: \$1,000

## ITEM 9 MUD DOG SALTWATER FLIES

AMFF Ambassador Mike Rice ties each of his saltwater flies to the highest standard of craftsmanship: "Most of my patterns are tied from beginning to end; very few patterns are tied in stages. I think tying this way allows for a more continuous and standard process typical to each pattern and results in a better finished product." Included are 55 assorted flies ready to go in a waterproof fly box.

*Donated by AMFF Ambassador Mike Rice*  
*Starting bid: \$200*



## ITEM 10 AMFF LOGO PACKAGE

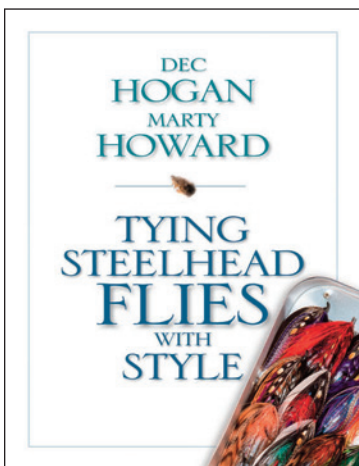
We've upped our game to offer some great logo items that will keep you cozy, hydrated and shielded from the elements in the coming months. We've joined with Simms to create our classic cap and new half zip fleece. Our Yeti tumbler is good to go and this package is rounded out with an AMFF bandana, t-shirt and trout-on-a-rope-soap!

*Starting bid: \$150*

## ITEM 11 ICY PALMER CANDLE TRIO

A treat for the senses, Icy Palmer Candles are handmade just down the road from AMFF in Arlington, Vermont, with natural ingredients and captivating signature labels. Enjoy three Vermont-themed scents which include Battenkill Flannel, Trout Season and Farmhouse Apple Pie.

*Starting bid: \$20*



## ITEM 12 TYING STEELHEAD FLIES WITH STYLE

*Tying Steelhead Flies With Style* is an exciting book written and photographed by two of today's most talented anadromous fly tiers: Dec Hogan, internationally recognized steelhead angler and author of *A Passion for Steelhead*, together with master steelhead fly tier and photographer Marty Howard.

*Donated by Wild River Press*  
*Starting bid: \$50*



AMFF Deputy Director Yoshi Akiyama is an extremely talented artist who can often be persuaded to create one-of-a-kind pieces for our auction. He visits local estate sales to find unique furniture or angling ephemera that can become his next masterpieces. This year he has outdone himself with three beautifully painted items:



### ITEM 13 CHILD'S CHAIR

Children love furniture that seems made just for them and this beautiful, red chair has an heirloom quality that could certainly be passed down for generations.

*Starting bid: \$100*



### ITEM 14 PAINTED OAR

This painted oar would make a decorative addition to any angler's wall. Features a trout on one side and a classic fly on the other.

*Starting bid: \$75*



### ITEM 15 PAINTED STOOL

A sweet seat or footrest, easy to tuck away but too beautiful to hide.

*Starting bid: \$75*





ITEM 16 DAY OF GUIDED FISHING FOR TWO ON THE DELAWARE WITH ADAM FRANCESCHINI

Fish the iconic Delaware River with acclaimed guide and American Museum of Fly Fishing Ambassador, Adam Franceschini. Adam has guided everywhere from Alaska to Brazil and is eager to lend his expertise to put YOU on big brown trout in this classic fishery. This trip is for two rods for a full day float on the Upper Delaware River with lunch and flies included. Spring 2020 or Spring 2021 subject to availability.

*Donated by AMFF Ambassador Adam Franceschini*  
*Starting bid: \$300*

ITEM 17 DALLAS SHIRT DRESS

Here's a chic transitional shirt dress that travels - from day to night and shores beyond. It's easy to pack, wear and dress up with a change of jewelry. The airy and cool Dallas Shirt Dress is made with soft, hand block printed cotton-silk and features delicate embroidery. The block printing process is done by hand, meaning each of these dresses is truly one-of-a-kind. Your choice of size, P-XXL, will be mailed to you.

- Playful hand block printed cotton cotton-silk
- 35 inches in length with lining
- Three-quarter sleeve
- Handcrafted in India
- Hand wash separately in cold water using mild detergent, remove promptly, line dry

*Donated by Sulu Collection*  
*Starting bid: \$150*



ITEM 18 FULL DAY GUIDED FISHING WITH PAUL DIXON IN MONTAUK OR KEY LARGO

Choose a wonderful full day of fishing with top fly fishing and light tackle guide Captain Paul Dixon from late May through August in Montauk or December through early May in Key Largo. In the words of the legendary Lefty Kreh: "I've sight-fished for stripers in many places on the flats, but Paul is the one who introduced me to it in the early '90s. And he did so very successfully. Paul is a skilled angler and a fun guy to be with." Whichever destination you choose, you'll be in great hands. Dates are to be arranged between the winner bidder and Captain Dixon. Valid through December 2020.

*Donated by Paul Dixon*  
*Starting bid: \$300*

ITEM 19 BERKSHIRE RIVERS FLY FISHING

A float trip (also called a drift trip) with Berkshire Rivers Fly Fishing for up to two people for a day. Trained and experienced guides will show you the ins and outs of fly fishing in the Berkshires. Whatever your skill level, there is always lots to learn! Dates to be mutually arranged. Valid through October 2020.

*Donated by AMFF Ambassador Harry Desmond*  
*Starting bid: \$300*





## ITEM 20 TOBACCO CARDS

Set of 3 tobacco cards (Brook Trout, Atlantic Salmon, Orange Quill fly) printed in the early 20th Century. These cards are highly collectable. Each card is mounted in an individual plexiglass block measuring 3½" x 5½".

*Donated by AMFF Trustee Jim Heckman*  
*Starting bid: \$150*

## ITEM 21 DAY OF FISHING WITH REBEKKA REDD

Join AMFF Ambassador Rebekka Redd on Nipigon Lake in northern Ontario for a day of guided fly fishing including casting instruction and lunch. You'll be fishing for trout, wall-eye, pike or bass in a brand new 22 foot boat.

*Donated by AMFF Ambassador Rebekka Redd*  
*Starting bid: \$300*



## ITEM 22 BONEFISH RETREAT BY BRETT JAMES SMITH SIGNED, OIL ON PANEL, 15.5 X 19.5 INCHES



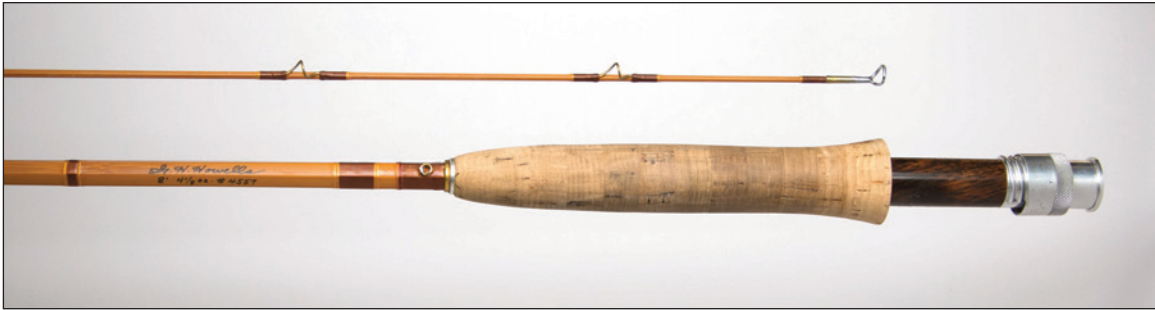
If there was ever an artist who captured today's sporting experience with yesterday's sense of adventure, it is Brett Smith. Born on March 19, 1958, in New Orleans, Louisiana, Smith is now considered to be among the best in his field. Sportsmen nationwide collect his work because it is not only visually exciting but also authentic and brings to bear his intimate knowledge of his sporting experience. He is one of the few artists who brings an ageless nostalgia to his subjects. As he puts it, "What is important in these outdoor paintings is mood, a feeling of how things were and still can be. The idea is to convey the natural ruggedness of the sport without missing the subtle nuances that make the experience personal."

*Starting bid: \$4,000*

ITEM 23 G.H. HOWELLS 8FT ROD

This 8', 2-piece, 2-tip, 6-weight, G.H. Howells rod is #4557. He started his rod numbering at 3700 to coincide with his age, 37, in 1972. This rod was made in the late 1970s. Howells made rods up until his death in 2000. Medium fast dry fly action. 4 1/2 oz. Nickel-silver ferrules. Darkened heat-tempered cane with tung oil finish. Wrapped in dark brown threads and tipped in golden yellow. Carbide stripper guide. Western-styled cork grip with up-locking aluminum reel seat spacer. Rod comes packed in red cloth rod bag and stored in aluminum labeled rod tube. Rod is in excellent condition.

Starting bid: \$2,000



ITEM 24 FLY FISHING COASTER SET

This hand-cast coaster set is perfect as a gift or for the avid angler's home. Four coasters, each with a different design can be stored in the reel-shaped holder.

Starting bid: \$20

ITEM 25 PARADISE AT EL PESCADOR IN BELIZE

Enjoy El Pescador's beach front location on Ambergris Caye, Belize, for 4 nights of lodging and 3 days of guided fishing for 2 people based on double occupancy in a beachfront double room and shared boat/guide. This package includes: hotel tax, sales tax where applicable, 3 meals per day, complimentary use of all amenities (pools, WIFI, gym, kayaks, bikes, etc.), and a welcome drink. This package is valid through December 14, 2020, and is subject to availability - blackout dates apply. Not included are any additional activities, transfers, gratuities for guides and lodge staff, fishing licenses, bar and gift and fly shop purchases.

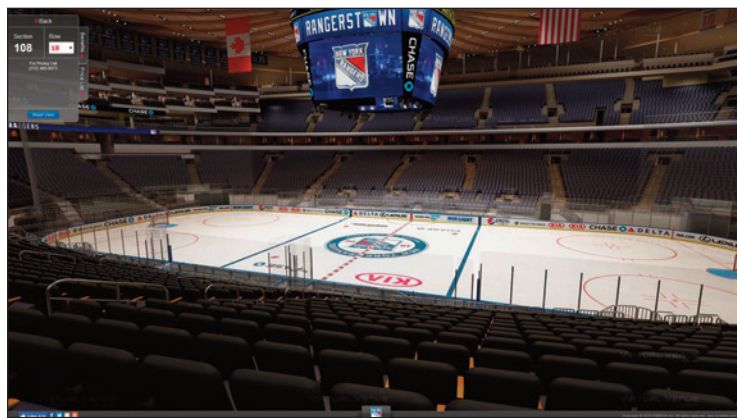
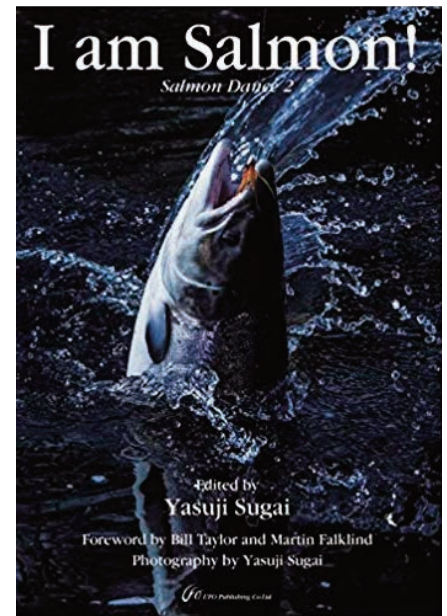
Donated by El Pescador  
Starting bid: \$3,000



ITEM 26 *I AM SALMON*

Beautifully cedar-boxed book containing a collection of color photographs of Atlantic salmon. B4-size, hard-cover book with cloth cover. Photographed and edited by Yasuji Sugai.

*Donated by Yasuji Sugai*  
*Starting bid: \$100*



ITEM 30 *RANGERS HOCKEY*

Clear your calendar for November 4 for an Eastern Conference clash as the Ottawa Senators travel to Madison Square Gardens and enjoy the Rangers vs. the Senators at Madison Square Garden. Six great seats (Section 108, Row 15). Also included is a night's stay for two at the Yale Club.

*Rangers tickets donated by AMFF Trustee Mark Comora*  
*Yale Club stay donated by AMFF President Karen Kaplan*  
*Starting bid: \$1,000*

ITEM 31 *BUSH FOUNDATION GLASSES & WINE*

We've paired two bottles of great wine, MacMurray Pinot Noir and William Hill Chardonnay, with a beautiful set of glasses from the George and Barbara Bush Foundation which honor President George H. W. Bush.

*Donated by The George and Barbara Bush Foundation and E & J Gallo*  
*Starting bid: \$100*





This limited-edition print features the USS George H. W. Bush, (CVN-77), which is the tenth and final Nimitz-class supercarrier of the United States Navy named in honor of President Bush, who was a naval aviator during World War II. The ship's motto is "Freedom at Work," which is adapted from the President's inaugural speech, "We know what works. Freedom works. We know what's right. Freedom's right."

*Donated by The George and Barbara Bush Foundation*  
*Starting bid: \$300*

### ITEMS 33 STEUBEN FISH

Leaping to catch a golden Royal Coachman fly, the trout's skin glistens with water drops, represented by bubbles of trapped air, a signature Steuben glassmaking technique. Design by James Houston, 1966. 8 x 2½ x 2½ inches.

*Donated by Paul & Anke Volcker*  
*Starting bid: \$1,000*



### ITEMS 34 DAY OF FISHING FOR TWO RODS ON PUGET SOUND

Hood Canal remains one of the least populated and most wildly scenic stretches of Puget Sound. The trout fishing in Hood Canal's salt-water is fueled by some of the best small stream trout fisheries in the state. These sea run cutthroat trout are able to survive in the hearty and healthy river systems of the Olympics. However, many choose to migrate out into the bait rich waters of Hood Canal. Some of the biggest populations of Sea Run Cutthroat call these waters home. Enjoy a full day guided trip on Hood Canal for two either from the boat or shore - includes all equipment, waders and boots (if needed), and snacks and water. For anglers aged 6 and older!

*Donated by All-Waters Fly-Fishing & Guide Services and AMFF Ambassador Brita Fordice*  
*Starting bid: \$300*

