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This black-tie evening begins at Shea’s Buffalo Theatre with cocktails, hors d’oeuvres and silent auction followed by a gourmet dinner on Shea’s Grand Stage. After dinner, guests will be escorted to Shea’s 710 Theatre for a private performance featuring An Evening with Tony, Grammy and Emmy Award-Winner Audra McDonald

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5:00-6:30 PM Cocktails, hors d’oeuvres and silent auction in Shea’s Lobby
6:45-8:30 PM Gourmet dinner, dessert and live auction on Shea’s Grand Stage
8:30-8:45 PM Guests escorted to Shea’s 710 Theatre
9:00-10:00 PM Private performance by Audra McDonald

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER LEVEL SPONSOR—$10,000
• Recognition at the Gala as an Executive Producer Level Sponsor
• The opportunity to attach your sponsorship to a specific part of the event (ie. Registration, Cocktail Hour, Silent or Live Auction, etc.)
• Two Tables of 10 with premier seating on Stage at the Gala
• 20 Tickets for After-Dinner Performance by Audra McDonald
• Recognition as a Sponsor on Shea’s website, media release and in Full Page Shea’s Gala Playbill ad during Spring 2020
• Your Logo on the Shea’s Main Street Marquee for 60 days surrounding the Gala
• Verbal Recognition on Stage at the Gala
• 75 Tickets for a school of your choice for a Shea’s On School Time performance*
• Box Suite for a Broadway Show or Special Engagement of your choice* (seats up to 8)
• Four Tickets for any Shea’s Buffalo, Shea’s Smith or Shea’s 710 Show of your choice*

*Subject to availability and must be used before March 31, 2021

DIRECTOR/CORPORATE LEVEL SPONSOR—$4,000
• Recognition at the Gala as a Director/Corporate Level Sponsor
• One Table of 10 with preferred seating on Stage at the Gala
• 10 Tickets for After-Dinner Performance by Audra McDonald
• Recognition as a Sponsor on Shea’s website, media release and in Full Page Shea’s Gala Playbill ad during Spring 2020
• Your name on the Shea’s Main Street Marquee for 30 days surrounding the Gala

SPOTLIGHT LEVEL SPONSOR—$600/Couple or $325/Ticket
• Recognition at the Gala as a Spotlight Level Sponsor
• Recognition as a Sponsor on Shea’s website
• Individual/Couple Seating on Stage at the Gala
• Individual/Couple Seating for After-Dinner Performance by Audra McDonald

Additional sponsorship opportunities available upon request. Contact John Schaller at (716) 829-1170 or jschaller@sheas.org.

All proceeds from the Shea’s 2020 Gala will benefit the ongoing restoration, improvements and maintenance of Shea’s Buffalo Theatre as well as Shea’s Education Programming.
Audra McDonald is unparalleled in the breadth and versatility of her artistry as both a singer and an actor. The winner of a record-breaking six Tony Awards, two Grammy Awards, and an Emmy Award, she received a 2015 National Medal of Arts from President Barack Obama and was also named one of Time magazine’s 100 most influential people that year. Tony-winning performances include Carousel, Master Class, Ragtime, A Raisin in the Sun, The Gershwins’ Porgy and Bess, and Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar & Grill – which served as the vehicle for her Olivier-nominated 2017 West End debut. On television, McDonald is known for her roles in ABC’s Private Practice and NBC’s The Sound of Music Live!, and she won an Emmy as the official host of PBS’s Live From Lincoln Center. She returned to Broadway in summer 2019 to star opposite Michael Shannon in Frankie and Johnny in the Clair de Lune and can currently be seen as Liz Lawrence on CBS All Access’s The Good Fight, which launches its fourth season in 2020. Recent film credits include Ricki and the Flash, Disney’s live-action Beauty and the Beast, and movie-musical Hello Again. The Juilliard-trained soprano also maintains a major career as a concert and recording artist. Her latest solo album, Sing Happy, was recorded live with the New York Philharmonic for Decca Gold. Of all her many roles, her favorites are the ones performed offstage: passionate advocate for equal rights and homeless youth, wife to actor Will Swenson, and mother.

Gala Reservations (716) 829-1170
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