

On behalf of the board and staff of the Adoptive Families Association of BC, I would like to take this opportunity to invite **you** to become an important champion of adoption by contributing a Silent Auction item at our upcoming JAZZ fundraising party on **Saturday, May 30th, 2009**. Your contribution will help raise necessary funds so we can continue our valuable adoption work and help foster children and adoptive families throughout the province.



WHAT:

The Best Jazz Party in Town!

A very cool evening of dancing and partying with Vancouver's Top Jazz Musicians hosted by Senator Larry Campbell. Discover the flavours of live Jazz from smooth and smokey, traditional New Orleans, blues to fusion from the best local Jazz artists in town. Last year's theme of "Red Hot Jazz" was a hit with the city's best entertainment such as The Jitterbug Junkie Swing Dancers, Scotiabank VIP Train private concert, Unique Auctions including Vancouver Fire Fighters' Fire in the Kitchen Dinner for 8, Air Canada's Trip for 2 Raffle, Chocolate Fountains, Martini Ice Lounge, Casino Games, Doktor Strange Magic, Palm Reading Lounge and entertainment galore. Raising close to \$90,000 in support of adoption.

WHY?

As you read this, there are 1,300 foster children in BC on a waiting list for a mom or a dad. There are thousands more across the world in orphanages waiting to be adopted. Your support helps find families for children and youth in need.

Adoption Matters

More than 9,000 children in BC are in foster care. 1 in 9 of these children are waiting to be adopted and only 30% of them will find a forever family this year; 70% will continue to wait for their Mom or Dad. Every day a child has to wait is too long.

The Children



Many of these children had a rough start in life. The ties between these children and their original families have been legally severed. Some of these children are under the age of 2. Others are older, have special placement needs, or need a family who can also adopt a brother or sister. Some family older teens wait in foster care for years, eventually aging out of the system, a family for them having never been found. No matter the background, age, or situation, every child needs a family for life.

Taking Action

Adoption is a solution. There are families out there for these children. You can make a difference. Your donation will help find the best families possible for these children and educate people about adoption. We are deeply grateful to our donors for their commitment to children and have seen the impact of this generosity in communities across BC.

Auction Item Donation Marketing Benefits:

Live Auction

- 2 Recognition Boards with Name at event
- Recognition in Live Auction Program for the event
- Name Recognition in Presentation of Live Auction Package
- Named in Thank you Advertisement Vancouver Courier, and The Province
- Named in Thank you Ad on Website (65,000 hits) and in AFABC Magazine (3,000 distribution)

Silent Auction

- Name Recognition with Silent Auction Item at event
- signage at event with name recognition
- Named in Thank you Advertisement Vancouver Courier and The Province
- Named in Thank you Ad on Website (65,000 hits) and in AFABC Magazine (3,000 distribution)

On-line Auction

Exciting marketing to be detailed soon

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Children, from babies to teens, need families. Please join us at this year's Jazz in the Park on Saturday May 30th to help support adoption!