

# Mahone Islands Conservation Association

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## Gala Dinner & Auction: Experience the Islands

With the fundraising for the purchase of Sacrifice Island well underway, MICA's 6<sup>th</sup> annual Gala Dinner & Auction will focus on raising money to support this acquisition. We aim to top last year's record of more than \$25,000.

MICA's objective is to raise \$200,000 by the end of 2008 and then to attract a major funding partner for the balance of the asking price, which is based upon an appraisal we commissioned.

The evening will reflect the culture and lifestyle of this exceptional coastal region, by auctioning island experiences – the art, music, photography, stories, cooking and outdoor life.

When: 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 7, Where: Oak Island Resort & Spa Tickets: \$50 per person

Reservations: Nicole Ernst, 624-8864

The mainstay of the auction each year continues to be the exceptional visual art contributed by local artists. However, experiences like dinners and small concerts were a smash hit when introduced last year. Also popular are the Silent Auction and Personal Treasures. (See below.)

6-7:30 pm Cocktails & Reception, with music by Dr. Lori McNeil on keyboard & guitarist Richard Knowles.

6-8:30 pm Silent Auction

7:30 p.m. Dinner, followed by the Live Auction with popular Auctioneer Dean Manning.

6 to end Personal Treasures (Cash & Carry)



JoAnn Ramsay and John McLennan (far left) of Martin's Point hosted a dinner party with entertainment by Dicey Reilly and a gourmet meal by Sweet Indulgence they successfully bid upon won at last year's Gala Auction.

### Donate to the success of the MICA Gala

As "Personal Treasures" and the Silent Auction contribute substantially to the success of MICA's annual fundraiser, we are looking for donations.

Personal Treasures: Antiques, old books, home decor furnishings & accessories, pottery or glass, jewellery, artwork such as paintings, smaller sports items in excellent condition, etc. No appliances or garage sale items, please.

Silent Auction: Original art or craft works, folk art, services or gift certificates, photography, new home decor items.

Contact any MICA Director or see "Gala Donation Drop" on the left.