



GREATER SEATTLE AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Promoting Aquaria since 1971

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Dear Aquarium Industry Professional:

On behalf of the Greater Seattle Aquarium Society, I would like to invite your company to participate in the GSAS Annual Auction through the making of a donation. Such donations in past years have helped to make our auctions a wonderful success, and we hope to do so again with your help this year!

Organized in 1971, it is the oldest such society of continuous existence in the Pacific Northwest, and currently has about 120 members that attend our monthly meetings. We sponsor a variety of activities, including exhibitions, field trips, special programs with nationally known speakers, fish breeders, aquarium horticulture programs, among other educational activities throughout the year.

One of our society projects has been the use of some of our fundraising proceeds for the establishment of the GSAS Philanthropy Fund. We have used money in this fund to set up aquariums in local hospitals and schools, and to purchase books for schools. Among our other projects has been the production of *Northwest Aquaria*, a newsletter containing articles written by members, and information on GSAS programs. Our newsletter is enjoyed by our members and by those of other societies with which we exchange news and information. More information about the GSAS can also be accessed via our website at www.gsas.org, where we would be happy to list your company among our sponsors for all to see!

In order to finance these activities and continue to promote interest in the hobby, the GSAS has one major fund-raising auction per year. This year, we have scheduled the auction for Saturday, April 18. The success of this event depends to a large degree on the generosity of professionals and members of the industry whom we ask for donations. The GSAS is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Washington for the purpose of promoting interest in the aquarium fish hobby and, as such, any donations may be tax deductible. In the past we have received fantastic support from your company and others in the industry, and we hope that this continues.

Your donation would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to the address below. Thank you in advance for your consideration and for any donations you send our way!

Very truly yours,

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