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5:00 pm COCKTAILS

6:00 pm DINNER

Welcoming Notes

Norma Haddad - SEAL Executive Director

Comedy Performance

John Achkar - Comedian, Trainer,
Entrepreneur

SEAL Update

Rula Tamer - SEAL Board President

Live Auction and Call for Action:

Keith L. McLane - Professional Auctioneer

Ziad Rahbani Musical Tribute

Nidal Nasr - Musical Performer



JOHN ACHKAR

Comedian, Trainer, Entrepreneur

John Achkar is a Lebanese stand-up comedian, actor, and entrepreneur renowned across the Middle East for his sharp humor and relatable storytelling. Known for blending wit with insightful social commentary, Achkar has become a household name in the comedy scene, performing sold-out shows in Lebanon, the GCC, Europe, North America, and Australia.

Achkar rose to prominence in 2020 after a viral skit on TikTok and Instagram catapulted him into the public eye. Since then, he has performed multiple one-hour comedy specials, including No Worries(2022), Wein 3ayish?(2023), Shou Zakeh?!(2024), and his latest hit AAM JARRIB(2025) : a bold exploration of trial, error, and embracing life's constant experiments. The special dives into the humor and chaos of pushing boundaries, trying new things, and learning to keep moving forward.

In addition to comedy, Achkar co-founded Everythink, a small business aimed at creating interactive experiences through play. His entrepreneurial spirit and comedic talents have also led him to host Tar El Waet(2024), a Lebanese TV show blending satire with cultural and political critique.

Achkar's achievements include touring in more than 60 cities for his world tour special in 2024, as well as opening for renowned comedian Gad El Maleh in Dubai and Paris , a career milestone that fulfilled a lifelong dream. Through his work, Achkar continues to inspire laughter and introspection, proving that comedy can be a powerful tool for connection and change.



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NIDAL NASR

Singer and Musician

Nidal is a Lebanese artist who studied Oud with Maestro Chafik Abou Chakra and Violin at the Lebanese Conservatoire.

He is well known for his famous song "Allah La Yehremni Mennak", written by Nizar Francis, composed by Rawad Raad and the Music Arrangement by Marc AbdelNour. "Allah La Yehremni Mennak" was a big hit that stayed for several weeks in the top 1.

Then he released "Mtayyer 3a'li" written & composed by Salim Assaf, Arrangement by Mark AbdelNour, Studio Recording: Roger Abi Akl. The music video was later filmed in Los Angeles, California directed by Nagham Wehbe.

Third single "Chou Mahdoumi" was in collaboration with song writer Rafic Barakat, composer Nour Al Saad, arrangement was by VoxBox Studio. His latest song "Mesh Ghalat" written by: Mohamad Nakkouzi, composed by: Ahmad Akkad, was filmed in California deserts.

The new release is now online "Radi 3laye" is here for you to enjoy and love!

Lyrics: Yahia Saleh, Composition: Ahmad Barakat, Arrangement: Zaher Deeb.

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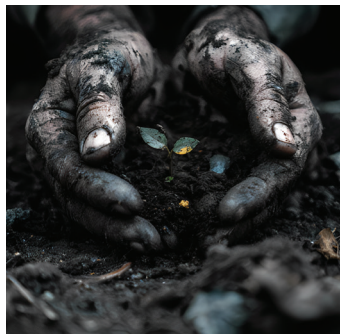
CHERINE BAZZI

Artist

Based in Palo Alto, Cherine Bazzi holds a Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts with a minor in Advertising Art. Her practice centers on painting, drawing inspiration from Expressionism and Symbolism—movements that allow her to explore emotion and meaning beyond the surface of the canvas.

Most recently, Cherine designed the invitation for SEAL's charity event, themed Land Stewardship. Her design features weathered hands planting a seedling, a symbol of care, resilience, and the promise of renewal for future generations.

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KEITH L. MCLANE

Auctioneer

Keith L. McLane, BAS, is one of the country's preeminent fundraising auctioneers. Since 1995, he has specialized in conducting charity and fundraising auctions for schools, charitable organizations, and nonprofit groups. Keith holds an MBA from The UCLA Anderson School of Management and is a graduate of the world-famous Missouri Auction School. He is also one of only a small number of auctioneers in the country--and only 20 auctioneers in California--to have achieved the National Auctioneers Association's prestigious Benefit Auction Specialist (BAS) designation.

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Valid for travel through October 31, 2026, with below blackout dates.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Tickets must be used by October 26, 2026.

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North America (incl. Hawaii): Dec 15 2025–Jan 5 2026;
Apr 1–8 2026; Jul 26–Aug 16 2026.

International (incl. Mexico City; excl. India, Beijing, Shanghai): Dec 10 2025–Jan 11 2026; Jun 18–Sep 7 2026.

Sun Destinations (Caribbean, Mexico, Central America; excl. Mexico City): Dec 10 2025–Jan 11 2026; Feb 23–Mar 15 2026; Apr 1–8 2026; Jun 18–Sep 6 2026.

India: To India – Oct 6–Nov 21 2025; Dec 9–24 2025;
Oct 12–Oct 26 2026. From India – Dec 15 2025–Mar 31 2026;
Aug 1–Oct 26 2026.

Beijing / Shanghai: To – Dec 13 2025–Jan 7 2026; Mar 7–15 2026; Jun 18–Aug 23 2026. From – Dec 20 2025–Jan 12 2026;
Mar 21–Apr 5 2026; Jul 11–Oct 26 2026.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

The Beret Icon Pendant

Maison Tabbah



A symbol of Maison Tabbah's heritage, the Beret Icon Pendant draws inspiration from the iconic Beret ring first created in 1985. Crafted in yellow gold, its harmonious circular form embodies balance and elegance, with a brilliant diamond at its center surrounded by a delicate halo of pavé-set stones. This refined creation transforms a historic design into a contemporary jewel to be worn close to the heart. Timeless yet modern, the Beret Icon 15 mm pendant set with 39 round brilliant-cut diamonds, reflects the Maison's philosophy that jewelry is not only to be admired but to be lived and cherished. Rooted in over 160 years of craftsmanship, it is an enduring emblem of Tabbah's artistry and vision.

Total carat weight 0.41ct.

Value: \$6,700

Donated By: Maison Tabbah.

Maison Tabbah, founded in Beirut in 1862, is one of the world's oldest family-owned jewelry houses, renowned for over 160 years of creativity and craftsmanship. Guided by five generations of the Tabbah family, the Maison blends heritage with innovation under Creative Director Nagib Tabbah, following the legacy of Nabil Tabbah, the famed "Gem Whisperer."

Known for its bespoke creations and exceptional stones, Maison Tabbah transforms personal visions into meaningful heirlooms. A highlight of its storied history was designing Princess Charlene of Monaco's wedding jewelry. From Beirut to Monaco, Tabbah continues to embody timeless elegance, artistry, and passion.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

San Francisco 49ers



Go Niners! VIP Game Day Experience — January 4
Home Division Showdown

Feel the thrill of playoff-season football!
You and a guest will experience the ultimate San Francisco 49ers game day — live from Levi's Stadium — with two tickets and two pre-game sideline passes for the Sunday, January 4, 2026 Home Division Game against the Seattle Seahawks.

Step onto the field before kickoff to watch your favorite players warm up just feet away, capture once-in-a-lifetime photos, and soak in the energy as the stadium comes alive. Then head to your seats to cheer on the Niners in one of the most anticipated games of the season.

This isn't just a ticket — it's your all-access pass to the heart of Niner Nation.

Package Includes:

- Two (2) tickets to the San Francisco 49ers Home Division Game — Sunday, January 4, 2026.
- Two (2) pre-game sideline passes for field-level access before kickoff.
- Unforgettable behind-the-scenes experience at Levi's Stadium.

Donated by: Robert Saleh, Defensive Coordinator of the 49ers and the San Francisco 49ers.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

Take a Walk on the Grid Side



96 x 70 cm
(37.80 X 27.50 inches)
*Acrylic and oil stick on
raw linen*

"This work began with a simple grid — the promise of order, logic, and predictability. But the grid, like every system, is never neutral. Its neat repetition fractures under the weight of gesture, accident, and intrusion. A single figure appears, reduced to a chalklike sign, walking across squares that no longer guarantee stability. The half-circle in orange is both anchor and interruption — a sun, a warning, a stage light. It asks whether movement across such a surface is progress, defiance, or absurd choreography. The painting is less about arrival than about the act of stepping forward when the very ground is unsettled.

The piece is a meditation on control and instability: a reminder that even within rigid structures, cracks open, and it is there that meaning takes shape."

Value: \$10,000

Donated By: Ghazi Baker.

Ghazi Baker is a self-taught visual artist and practicing architect based in Beirut. He blends diverse cultural and intellectual influences into a body of work that is both cerebral and instinctive. His signature style—a vivid fusion of dynamic line work, post-structuralist thought, and “visual jazz” composition—draws from comic art, symbolism, motorcycle culture, and the human condition.

Baker's work has been showcased at major international fairs, including the Miami Art Fair (2024), Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary (2025), and the Korean International Art Fair (2024). He also participated in a Rijksmuseum exhibition in 2022 marking 350 years since Rembrandt's passing. His paintings are held in private and institutional collections across Beirut, Dubai, New York, Paris, and beyond.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

Haute Couture Heaven: Paris Fashion Week VIP Experience



Get ready for the ultimate fashion fantasy!

You and a guest will receive two coveted invitations to Paris Haute Couture Fashion Week — one of the most exclusive events in the world — with access to the runway shows of Lebanon's most celebrated designers: Elie Saab, Zuhair Murad, and Georges Hobeika.

Walk past the velvet ropes into a world of artistry, glamour, and global style icons. These are not tickets you can buy — each show is strictly invitation only, making this a truly once-in-a-lifetime experience for fashion lovers.

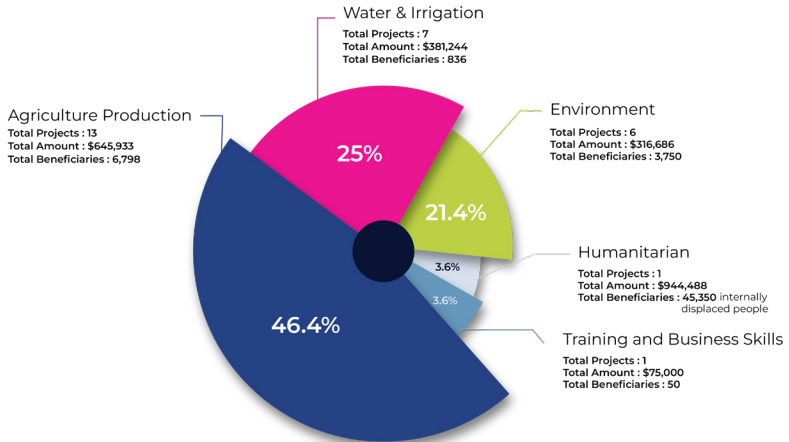
From the sparkling gowns to the front-row buzz, you'll witness the craftsmanship and beauty that define haute couture — all in the heart of Paris, the world's fashion capital.

Package Includes:

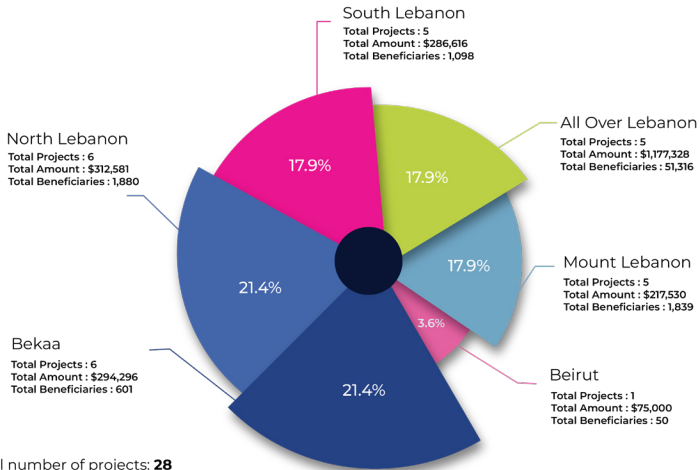
- Two (2) invitations to Georges Hobeika's Haute Couture runway show - July 7, 2026 at 1 pm.
- Two (2) invitations to Elie Saab's Haute Couture runway show - July 9, 2026 at 2:30 pm.
- Two (2) large Elie Saab perfume bottles.
- Two (2) invitations to Zuhair Murad's Haute Couture runway show - July 9, 2026 at 5:30 pm.
- All shows take place during Paris Haute Couture Fashion Week (July 6 to 9 2026).

Donated by: Georges Hobeika, Zuhair Murad & Elie Saab.

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