OVER THE HORIZON AUGUST 2024





Auctioneer's Association of Alberta

Promoting professionalism by inspiring excellence

Dear Members,

We hope you are doing well and your all enjoying the summer auction season. First and foremost, we want to extend our deepest gratitude for your patience and unwavering support these past few years as we navigated through some unprecedented times.

We are thrilled to announce some exciting plans just "OVER THE HORIZON" designed to enhance your experience and reinforce the strong sense of community that defines the Alberta Auctioneers Association. Our Board of Directors has been diligently working behind the scenes to ensure that these upcoming initiatives will make you feel more valued and supported than ever before.

Thank you again for your loyalty and trust in our vision for the association. We are confident that the future holds great promise, and we cannot wait to reconnect with you and witness the incredible accomplishments we will achieve together.



Reach us at abauctioneeregmail.com

<u>What's on the Horizon?</u>

Increased Support and Resources

We understand that each member has unique needs and aspirations. We are committed to providing you with the support and resources necessary to achieve your goals. We are here to listen, and assist all members. We are a thriving industry and your support has been the cornerstone of our resilience, and we are excited to embark on this journey of growth and renewal with all members of the Alberta Auctioneers Association.

Enhanced Benefits

We are introducing a range of new benefits to meet your needs and interests. From exclusive access to resources, special discounts and offers, we want your membership to bring you immense value.

Events & Activities

We are planning unique events and activities that will provide you the opportunity for learning, sharing, and fun. Whether you prefer virtual gatherings or in-person meetups, we have something in store for everyone.

Community Connections

Our goal is to foster a sense of belonging and community among our members. We will be launching new platforms to facilitate better communication making it easier for you to connect with fellow members

Innovative Programs

We believe in continuous growth and development. Our upcoming programs and workshops are designed to help you acquire new skills, gain insights, and stay ahead in the auction industry.

<u>Association Updates</u>

Membership Renewals

As we close out on the membership renewals, we thank you for your patience and loyalty as we navigated through various administrative challenges, membership changes, and technological updates. Your support has been instrumental in helping us overcome these hurdles, and we deeply appreciate your understanding during this transition period. Thanks to your support, we have emerged stronger and more resilient, with improvements that will enhance your membership experience.

Education

We are excited to introduce Auction 101 online training. This offers members and their staff tremendous benefits by providing accessible, flexible, and comprehensive learning opportunities from the comfort of their own homes or offices. Additionally, online training allows us to provide members with a broader range of topics and expert instructors from various fields, allowing members to gain new skills and knowledge to enhance their professional and personal lives. Did you know, that since the COVID pandemic, members have enriched their lives by starting new hobbies or businesses and continue to be members? They have immersed themselves in various online training to stay informed of industry trends, discover new passions, and connect with member peers to advance their business growth. Stay Tuned for more updates on this exciting venture.

Questions? Contact Tracy Pollard at tpollard77@hotmail.ca

Charity

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you! After careful consideration, the board has decided to update our charity art print. By directing the proceeds from our charity art prints to the Alberta and Stollery Children's Hospitals, your support and participation in this initiative will provide much-needed support to these incredible institutions that offer essential care, hope, and healing to children and their families.

We are excited about the potential of this new direction and look forward to seeing the beautiful artwork that will be created and sold to support our charity. Please share or post our **"Calling All Artists"** poster on your website with associates and friends. Together, we can bring smiles, comfort, and hope to the children and families who need it most.

Questions? Contact Scott Douglas at auctioneer.douglas@gmail.com

Calling All Artists

Are you an artist looking to make a difference in your community? We invite you to join our initiative to support local charities through your creativity and talent!

Link Here to Share our Charity Poster

Membership and Convention Survey

We kindly request that you take a few moments to fill out this important survey, as your input is invaluable to us. Your feedback will help us understand your needs, preferences, and experiences, allowing us to improve the association and better serve our members. We are committed to making decisions that reflect the interests and priorities of our members, and your participation in this survey is crucial to that process. Thank you for your time and for contributing to the continued success and growth of the Alberta Auctioneers Association. Link Here to Complete our Survey.

Shared Legacy Files

We invite you to share your stories, pictures, auction sales, or experiences that have impacted the auction industry. Whether it's a memorable auction event, a recordbreaking sale, or an innovative practice that has changed how you do your auctions, we want to hear from you. Your contributions will help us share the history and evolution of this thriving industry, and inspire fellow and new members with stories that make our industry unique. Please send us your submissions and let your story become a part of our shared legacy files. Contact abauctioneer@gmail.com to share your story!

Country Gala Convention 2025

We would be honoured to have you attend our 1st ever Auctioneers Gala Convention on February 6-8, 2025. Save the date and stay tuned for more details and early registration times.



2024 Convention

A few of the pictures from the 2024 Convention.











































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