Dear Friend of The Cathedral School,

The Cathedral School of St. John the Divine is an independent, Episcopal, K-8 school for students of all faiths. The school is committed to providing a rigorous academic program that integrates art, music, technology, and athletics, while also promoting character development, leadership skills, and critical thinking.

On Friday, March 6, 2020, The Cathedral School of St. John the Divine will host its annual Absalom Jones Benefit to support financial aid. Absalom Jones was an abolitionist, community organizer, and the first African-American priest in the Episcopal Church. His lifelong work serves as an inspiration for The Cathedral School’s ongoing commitment to equity, justice, and inclusion. So too does the Benefit celebrate Cathedral’s dedication to these ideals. All proceeds directly support financial aid, which is granted to more than 40% of our student body, nearly twice as much as other New York City independent schools.

I invite you to help The Cathedral School support a 119-year tradition of providing excellence in education to an extraordinary community of learners by making a donation of goods and services to our auction, which boasts more than 200 items. You will be joining many New York City professionals and business owners who value diversity in education and support financial aid. In addition, you will gain priceless exposure and generate goodwill among hundreds of local shoppers and potential customers from our school community. We anticipate more than 350 guests will attend the event at our new venue space, Tribeca 360.

On behalf of Cathedral’s students and their families, we thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

2020 Absalom Jones Benefit Committee

You may return the included donation form by mail or email to Mary Jo Rohrer:

The Cathedral School of St. John the Divine
ATTN: Mary Jo Rohrer
1047 Amsterdam Avenue
New York, NY 10025
Email: mrohrer@cathedralnyc.org

Questions? Please contact Mary Jo Rohrer at mrohrer@cathedralnyc.org or 212-932-7383.

As no goods or services are provided to you in return for your charitable contribution, the entire amount of your in-kind donation is tax-deductible to the fullest extent provided by law. The Cathedral School is described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and recognized as a public charity (federal tax ID: 38-4036360) and operates under a charter granted by the New York State Board of Regents.
Absalom Jones Benefit – Auction Donation Form
Friday, March 6, 2020

Donor Name: ________________________________________________________________

Donor Business Name (if applicable): __________________________________________

Phone: ____________________  Email: ____________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________

Donation/Item: _____________________________________________________________

Description: ______________________________________________________________

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Estimated Value of Item*: ____________________________

Expiration/Gift Limitations: __________________________________________________

Donor’s Signature: __________________________________________________________

Cathedral School Contact/Item Solicitor: ________________________________________

I would like a charitable gift receipt ☐

Donor will deliver donation: ☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Certificate Enclosed

*If you checked no, please email Mary Jo Rohrer with pickup information: mrohrer@cathedralnyc.org or call 212-932-7383.

All donations and forms must be delivered by February 14, 2020:
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Donation forms can also be submitted online here: https://bit.ly/2RvRPh

Thank you for your contributions!

*Your estimate will help the auction committee determine a minimum bid for your in-kind donation. The Cathedral School is described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and recognized as a public charity (federal tax ID: 38-4036360) and operates under a charter granted by the New York State Board of Regents. The Cathedral School reserves the right to use your contribution for other fundraising programs within the School should space or other considerations limit our ability to use a portion or all of your contribution to support the Absalom Jones Benefit.