

Frequently Asked Questions

This year, we're going virtual to keep our friends and community members safe! We look forward to having you join us on **Saturday, September 19 beginning at 6:00 PM for the Pre-Show and 7:00 PM MST for our Formal Program.** Guests will hear from a featured speaker, a special message from **Celebrity Guest LeAnn Rimes** and have the opportunity to bid on amazing silent and live auction items in support of Anchor Center, all from the comfort of their homes OR their dinner table hosts' homes!

Here are some frequently asked questions to help you prepare for our annual signature event.

Q. Do I need to register?

A. <u>YES! You must register</u> to bid on auction items and participate in the night's events, including receiving communications about the event and important links to view the livestream event. You can either watch from your home, or if your dinner host is holding a small gathering at their home, you can watch from there. The best news though is that the event is FREE!

Q. Can only Colorado residents attend?

A. No! Anyone may attend this virtual event via their phone or computer! All you need is an internet connection. One of the benefits of going virtual this year is friends, colleagues and family from out of state may attend as well, so please share the invitation with your networks! It is free to attend!

Q. How do I participate?

A. Anchor Center will message you (via text and email) a few days before the event so you may express check-in online to participate in bidding and donating. On the day and time of the event, use the event link you will receive in your text and email to join. The silent auction and other bidding opportunities will open several days before the virtual event, so make sure you register well in advance to participate in early bidding. You must be registered to receive the links and participate. Please note that we recommend you watch the Live Stream Program via a Computer (w/ speakers) or Smart TV and reserve your cell phone for receiving event messages and participating in bidding.

Q. How do I participate in the Silent Auction?

A. Our Auction will officially open on Wednesday, Sept. 16 and runs through Saturday, Sept. 19, ending at 7:00 PM, right before our Live Stream Program. To get in on all the bidding action visit https://aesbid.org/SUNSET20. Check out our preview of items- new packages added weekly!

Q. How do I participate in the Live Auction and Special Appeal during the Live Stream Program?

A. As a <u>REGISTERED</u> guest, you will receive texts the night of the event prompting you to visit this page https://aesbid.org/SUNSET20, where Live Auction and Special Appeal information will appear for you to click and interact with the live bidding/donating portion of the event. Up through event night (7PM) this page only houses our Silent Auction items.

Q. Do I need to dress up?

A. If you have been invited by a dinner table host, check out their <u>custom webpage</u> for instructions on dress and other details for the evening. Otherwise, please sign-on and be dressed in any way that you prefer! <u>The event will be a livestreamed, viewing only event.</u>

Q. Will dinner and drinks be involved?

A. Again, if you have been invited by a dinner table host, refer to their webpage for details. Some hosts may opt to hold a small dinner party in their home. We encourage dinner hosts and solo guests to consider ordering from a local restaurant or Footers is our preferred Sunset in the City catering vendor and has put together a special menu just for our virtual gala and ready to be ordered! Whether your preference is a full meal, heavy hors d'oeuvres, or just cocktails and snacks, Footers has a package of culinary delights to meet your needs.

Q. How long will the virtual event last and what will be the format?

A. The virtual gala will last around 45 minutes- 1 hour (tops!). Guests will hear from a featured speaker, our guest celebrity LeAnn Rimes, and have the opportunity to bid on amazing silent and live auction items in support of Anchor Center. More info to come on the program and schedule of events!

Q. How will I view the event?

A. The <u>livestream event link</u> will be texted and emailed prior to the event. The livestream event will be viewed through a website/app called Vimeo. Streaming instructions on how to view from your smart tv will be coming soon. The event will be viewing only, no one can see you!

Q. I won't be able to attend, how can I still donate?

A. Click here to submit your donation. We are so appreciative of your gift.