Welcome to the Block Party: SFF Auction

Student Funded Fellowship
Don't forget to participate in our Silent Auction! Visit the link below to look at items and place bids. The auction will close at 11:59 PM tonight, don't miss your chance to win!

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Since 1996, the SFF Auction has brought together students, faculty, staff, and alumni for an exciting night of camaraderie and fun. We like to think the auction shows off what makes Michigan Law special: a combination of generosity, community, and just a bit of ridiculousness (as you will surely experience tonight). Last year’s live and silent auction raised nearly $47,000, and we hope this year’s auction will be the best yet!

This event could not take place without the kindness and generosity of many. We are incredibly grateful to the students, alumni, faculty, local businesses, and law firms who support us through donations each and every year. A special thank you to Professor Hirshon and the Wein-Hirshon Charitable Foundation for funding the generous matching program in tonight’s live auction.

To the members of the law school student body, faculty, staff, and administration who have supported SFF throughout the year, as well as tonight — thank you for your constant support and your commitment to SFF’s cause. The Michigan Law community has pooled its time, talents, and energy behind the public-interest community, and that is something worth being proud of.

Once more... welcome to the 2019 SFF Auction! Have fun, make memories, and remember: bid high and bid often!

Sincerely,
The 2018-2019 Student Funded Fellowships Board

A Letter From The Dean

The Student Funded Fellowships program, which celebrates its 40th anniversary this year, highlights the best of Michigan Law. Led by students, SFF brings our community together to provide necessary financial support to first-year students undertaking summer internships in the public interest. SFF has raised more than $3 million since its inception, and is one key component of this institution’s longstanding reputation for an impressive commitment to public service work.

SFF’s showcase event, the auction, is uniquely Michigan. I have heard that other schools have auctions. But they don’t have an auction history that includes seeing some of the world’s preeminent legal scholars at their silliest for such a serious purpose. Other schools don’t feature entertaining faculty karaoke duets that are excruciatingly awkward to everyone but the participants. They also don’t afford students the opportunity to sky dive with their transnational law professor or to name a sandwich at Zingerman’s. And nowhere else can one find the combination of Professor Barb McQuade’s shrewdness, Professor Eve Primus’s relentlessness, and Professor Len Niehoff’s whatever—that-is—he-does to ensure that each item receives its due.

Through its combination of necessary, practical support and goodhearted displays of ridiculousness, SFF exemplifies what makes this place special. Thank you for your participation—be it a financial contribution or cheers from the back row—and thank you for your support of our students’ commitment to service.

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