# Announcing: The 2021 Silent Auction!

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Make plans to participate in the 2021 Silent Auction to raise funds for our awards program.

Follow our Silent Auction Countdown on social media (<u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, and <u>Twitter</u>,) and via your affiliate leaders. Our first step is to have you plan your Virtual Auction item donations. Details on the In-person Auction will be released after Annual Session registration opens.

## Virtual Auction Item Tips:

Some items ship simply. Please consider small, sturdy items for the Virtual Auction, as items will be shipped at the donor's personal expense.

## Shipping Your Donation to the Winner Tips:

Consider using USPS Flat Rate Boxes; they ship for a set price regardless of weight. If you choose to donate fragile items, pack with plenty of cushion.

### **Action Steps:**

- 1. Purchase and take a picture of your item for the Virtual Auction.
- 2. Submit a <u>Silent Auction donation form</u> for each item.
- 3. For each item donated, email a picture and a donation form to: Will Ferguson (WFerguson@executiveoffice.org).

### Suggested Items to Donate:

- Food items that represent your state, such as: muffin, cookie or soup mixes, hot sauce, jellies/jams of fruits that are found in your state (e.g., Prickly Pear for Arizona)
- Gift cards
- Hand-made gifts such as: cutting boards, quilts or wall hangings, wood carvings, jewelry.

**Please NOTE:** We will NOT be accepting alcoholic beverages for shipping or in-person auctioning, however, gift cards for alcoholic beverages, shipped from the company, will be accepted.

Please direct questions to Will Ferguson (<u>WFerguson@executiveoffice.org</u>) or Cheryl Spires (<u>spires.53@osu.edu</u>).

