



AMERICAN FRIENDS of GEORGIA, INC. Spring Charity Gala 2023



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American Friends of Georgia (AFG) held Annual Charity Gala on April 1st, 2023 at the Sheraton Grand Tbilisi Metechi Palace Hotel first time after Covid pandemic outbreak.

The event was attended by the Ambassadors of Israel and Germany and diplomatic corps. At the same time, representatives of the business world, leading international and Georgian organizations and corporations.

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The event started with a cocktail reception in the lobby of the Sheraton Grant Tbilisi Metechi Palace Hotel with an art display by prominent Georgian artists auctioned later by Cliff Isaak, Auctioneer Extraordinaire and Honorary Consul of Canada to Georgia. The reception was followed by dinner especially designed by Sheraton's chef. Exceptional wines were provided by Schumi winery. A diverse musical performance included the young ballerinas of V.Chabukiani Tbilisi State Ballet School, Tbilisi Women Choir led by Omar Burduli, French Composers' Association member, composer and pianist Nika Nikvashvili & Lela Mchedlidze, the first violin in the Symphony Orchestra of Tbilisi Opera and Ballet State Theater.

The highlight of the evening was the auction of donated outstanding art by such artists as Lado Gudiashvili, Korneli Sanadze, Tamuna Melikishvili, Levan Bujashvili, Marc Chagal, Mamuka Tsetskhladze, Lia Shvelidze, Keti Shalamberidze, Lena Kiladze, David Sulakauri, Nina Kipshidze, Yuri Mechitov, Giorgi Alexi-Meskishvili, Maka Gotsiridze, Rusudan Chikvaidze, Tutu Kiladze, Tinatin Chkhikvishvili, Nina Ananiashvili, Irakli Moreli, Tornike Robakidze, Merab Gugunashvili.

The Gala raised record amount in total 132 450 USD. The funds raised will go to two of the main projects of AFG: Dzegvi Shelter and Hospice Feristvaleba and Palliative Homecare program.

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