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# Welcome

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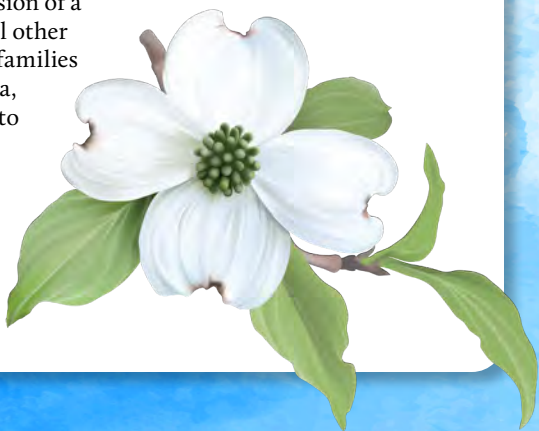
Thank you for joining us this evening for **A Celebration of Hope**, the return of the Greater Cincinnati Alzheimer's Spring Benefit, The Art of Making Memories. After meeting at an Association Memory Café for care partners and their loved ones living with dementia, we were honored when asked to co-chair the steering committee for the 2020 benefit, postponed at the last moment by the pandemic.

A year later, we find ourselves immensely grateful for the opportunity to guide this special event. Through our work with the committee, we've been able to share common experiences with others on a similar journey, and promote awareness of Alzheimer's and other dementia. We're proud to be able to showcase Memories in the Making (MIM) and other programs that provide much-needed outlets for self-expression and social connections for people living with dementia. This year, the Art Preview and auction of works from the MIM program is especially poignant for everyone involved, as we pay special tribute to its long-time steward, Joan Hock, whose loss is deeply felt by all whose lives she touched.

To the supporters of this event, thank you for embracing a different way of presenting this year's program. Wherever you're gathered, we want you to know our committee and the Greater Cincinnati Chapter staff are grateful for your participation, whether this is your first time attending, or you've been with us before.

During this evening's program we will bring the First Survivor White Flower to life—a symbolic representation of the day when we'll celebrate delivering on the Association's vision of a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia. On behalf of our own families and all those living with dementia, thank you for your commitment to this promise.

**Kelli Stein and Marina Abanto**  
*Art of Making Memories Chairs*



# THE *Art* OF MAKING MEMORIES

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## A Celebration of Hope

May 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Join us at: [aomm21.givesmart.com](http://aomm21.givesmart.com) or [vimeo.com/542646532/9181759772](https://vimeo.com/542646532/9181759772)

**6:30 p.m.**

**Preshow Featuring Friends and Family Tributes**

**7:00 p.m.**

**A Celebration of Hope**

Program featuring:

Message from our Presenting Sponsor – Laura Lamb, President and CEO,  
Episcopal Retirement Services

Welcome from Co-chairs Marina Abanto and Kelli Stein

Emcee Bob Herzog, Local 12 Anchor

Lisa Elliott and Suzanne Hemmer: Forging a Friendship  
through their journey as Alzheimer's Caregivers

Creating the First Survivor White Flower - Fund-A-Need

Special words from Guest of Honor Louis Langrée, Music Director,  
Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra

A Tribute to Joan Hock

Final Thank You

**9:00 p.m.**

**Auction Closes**



*The Elliott Family*

## Speaker Bio: Lisa Elliott

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Lisa and David Elliott were married June 1992. They were *that* couple who actually met their spouse at a wedding. David lived in Columbus and Lisa was here in Cincinnati. They saw each other every weekend. One of David's friends nicknamed their relationship 71 Love, due to all the miles they traveled on I-71!

The Elliotts raised their three children in Bexley, a neighborhood of Columbus. David was a Certified Financial Advisor and Lisa was a stay-at-home mom, artist and volunteer. Their world came crashing down January 2014, two weeks shy of David's 49th birthday: Younger-onset Alzheimer's. Devastating.

A friend's mom put Lisa in touch with the Greater Cincinnati Alzheimer's Association Chapter. Lisa said it felt like she was being welcomed into a family. Everyone she met was an expert in Alzheimer's or was on the same terrible journey she and her family were. The support, advice, listening ear and assistance were priceless and so needed. "You can't tackle this disease alone and the Alzheimer's Association has been there for me every step of the way," Lisa explained.

David and Lisa moved to Cincinnati this past September to be near family for help and support. Lisa is the wife who walks the walk on the promise she and David made to each other: in sickness and in health. Seven and a half years into this journey, Lisa is David's primary caregiver, along with the help of their children... taking it one day at a time.



*The Hemmer Family*

## Speaker Bio: Suzanne Hemmer

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Suzanne Hemmer married Dr. Rick Hemmer in 2001. A colleague introduced them and they met up on a blind date in 1999. They had a two-year courtship filled with wonderful new experiences, trips, and lots of flowers! And the rest was history! They blended a family of three children and had another daughter the following year. Suzanne has a master's degree in nursing and Rick was an emergency medicine physician. Rick was diagnosed with Younger-onset Alzheimer's in 2010.

The Alzheimer's Association was the first place she called after the diagnosis. "I don't know what we would have done without them. Losing your best friend, father of your children and love of your life little by little, day by day, is more than anyone can cope with alone. With the Association's help, we were proactive throughout every stage of Rick's illness. Their assistance in planning and early-onset support group was my lifeline. Not only did we receive expert advice when we needed it, but we became part of a movement to end this disease for future generations."

Rick lost his courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease in September 2015 but his family—like many others—continues to grow which now includes a daughter-in-law and two adorable granddaughters. And with each generation the family remains committed to the Association and its vision of a world without Alzheimer's.

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# A Heartfelt Thank You

We wish to send our heartfelt thanks to Paula Kollstedt, who retired from her position as Executive Director of the Greater Cincinnati Chapter in April after a decade of impassioned leadership. After losing her beloved husband, Steve, to Younger-onset Alzheimer's disease, Paula brought a relentless drive to her role, ushering Alzheimer's disease to the forefront among health causes in the Tri-State. Paula remains a friend and active volunteer, continuing to serve after retirement. We are all part of "care and cure," as Paula simply puts it.



## We Need You!

The first survivor of Alzheimer's is out there. But we need your help.

Our partners, donors, and thousands of volunteers are why the Alzheimer's Association is the global leader in dementia advocacy, research and care and support. This includes a remarkable six-fold increase in federal funding for Alzheimer's research through the NIH over the past decade, and this year in Ohio, the creation of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Task Force.

You can help continue this great progress by getting involved in your local community. Please visit [alz.org/cincinnati](http://alz.org/cincinnati) or call 513.721.4284 to learn more.



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# Premier Items

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To view and register to bid on the complete auction, visit [aomm21.givesmart.com](http://aomm21.givesmart.com)

## ITEM #100

### White Flowers

You may recognize this painting from the invitation or your program! This piece by an anonymous participant in the Memories in the Making program was selected for its connection to our vision of a world without Alzheimer's and all dementia, symbolized by the white survivor flower. Exquisitely mounted in a double mat presentation and custom frame, this piece is ready for hanging wherever it will bring you joy and hope each day. Finished size, approximately 13" wide x 15" high.

**Retail Value:** Priceless | **Starting Bid:** \$200

## ITEM #101

### Making Musical Memories in the Garden

Award-winning concert violist Junqi Tang will perform an intimate forty minute concert for you and up to eight guests at a private residence in the historic Rookwood neighborhood of Hyde Park on a mutually agreeable date. This exclusive experience includes a cheese tray and fine wine. Ms. Tang plays with the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, the Cincinnati Symphony and Toledo Symphony. She is the winner of the 2019 Hong Kong International Music Festival Competition. *Special thanks to donor Junqi Tang.*

**Retail Value:** \$2,000 | **Starting Bid:** \$500

## ITEM #102

### Ski In/Ski Out: Memories in the Mountains

Generously offered for the second time after receiving rave reviews, this breathtaking six bedroom home in Bachelor's Gulch, Colorado is yours to enjoy for seven nights any time in the next 12 months (except President's Day weekend February 19-26). Skywatch #50 accommodates 14 guests. After a day of skiing, unwind in your private hot tub or relax in the great room while enjoying unobstructed views of Vail's Back Bowls and the Gore Range. *Special thanks to donors The Kohnen Family.*

**Retail Value:** \$20,000 | **Starting Bid:** \$3,000

**ITEM #103****Exquisite Diamond and Ruby Pendant**

Rubies represent vitality and vigor—let this pendant lend energy to your life. A stunning .40 carat bezel set round center ruby is surrounded by a halo of 12 round brilliant cut bead set diamonds (.13 total diamond weight). Pendant is approximately 9mm round, overall. An approximately 17" long, 18k white gold cable chain with lobster clasp perfectly suspends this sparkler. *Special thanks to donors Sarah Zamary, Owner, D'Elegante Jewelers.*

**Retail Value: \$1,515 | Starting Bid: \$40**

**ITEM #104****Just Golfing a Round and a Round**

Round One - Get Away: Golf for you and your partner on the Donald Ross Course at French Lick includes a one-night stay at the Springs Hotel. Round Two - Right at Home: You and two friends will be member hosted for a round at Cincinnati Country Club, followed by lunch or dinner at one of the Club's wonderful dining venues. Golf includes the use of up to four carts. *Special thanks to donors Kelli and Richard Stein, French Lick Golf Resort.*

**Retail Value: \$1,000 | Starting Bid: \$250**

**ITEM #105****Brazilian Sunset**

You've been waiting to celebrate! Duo Rocha Gândara are musician, composer and pianist João Carlos Rocha and vocalist Paula Gândara. Revel in the lively sounds of samba, jazz and Brazilian popular music from this internationally-recognized pair of performers. Package includes a \$100 gift certificate for Tano Bistro & Catering and wine basket. *Special thanks to donors Paula Gândara and João Carlos Rocha, Tano Bistro & Catering, Derek and Susan van Amerongen. Hear a live performance by Duo Rocha Gândara from their 2019 European Tour at aomm21.givesmart.com.*

**Retail Value: \$2,100 | Starting Bid: \$400**

**ITEM #106****Reds Day Returns!**

First Pitch! - Friday, Sept 3 is Alzheimer's Awareness day at the Reds and YOU will be throwing out the FIRST PITCH! One guest can accompany you so they can take great pics! You and three friends will enjoy premium seats for this game.

Take home unique Reds memorabilia, including a Joe Nuxall Bobblehead and baseball signed by Marty Brennaman. *Special thanks to the Cincinnati Reds and Marissa O'Neill.*

**Retail Value:** Priceless | **Starting Bid:** \$200

**ITEM #107**

## Flowers All Year

Enjoy six (6) custom floral arrangements from KC Flower Farm! Make someone's floral dreams come true, or your own! *Special thanks to donor Kim Ceccoli, KC Flower Farm.*

**Retail Value:** \$650 | **Starting Bid:** \$200

**ITEM #108**

## The Paulo Experience

Your date night begins with a \$500 gift certificate that may be used toward any Paulo designs/redesigns or pieces you select from the ready-to-wear collection. Plus, Paulo will present her with a beautiful yellow diamond sleek necklace. Dine out with your \$100 gift certificate to Prime Cincinnati. *Special thanks to donor Paulo, A Modern Jeweler.*

**Retail Value:** \$1500 | **Starting Bid:** \$250

**ITEM #109**

## This One's For You

Break out the New Riff Bourbon Kentucky Mule cocktail kit while you enjoy dinner, including a prime cut selected by you from Lehr's Meats. You'll be the epitome of sophistication in your custom-tailored shirt from Phillip Haas and Bulova gentleman's sports watch from Kirk's Jewelers. *Special thanks to donors Philip Haas Bespoke Tailoring, Kirk's Jewelers, Molly and Tom Garber, Terri and Steve Wallace*

**Retail Value:** \$815 | **Starting Bid:** \$225



# Auction Donors

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Marina Abanto	Graeter's	Pipkins Market
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Game Works	Pete DeLois' Recreations	
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Chris Lee, 2021

# Louis Langrée

**GUEST OF HONOR**

Louis Langrée has been Music Director of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra since 2013. He recently toured with the CSO to both Asia and Europe, with appearances including the Hong Kong Arts Festival, Edinburgh International Festival, BBC Proms and La Seine Musicale. Now in his eighth season heading Cincinnati's largest performing arts organization, his personal highlights include a renewal of his contract through the 2023-24 season and a recent Grammy nomination for "Transatlantic."



# Memories in the Making® Program

The Alzheimer's Association Memories in the Making® program offers creative art expression for individuals with mild cognitive impairment (MCI) and early to the middle stages of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Memories in the Making participants create imaginative and colorful paintings, drawings, rubbings and more. Most have no prior art experience. The process provides an opportunity to engage socially and reminisce about meaningful life moments, individuals or personal interests. A trained facilitator walks participants through



the steps and offers assistance when needed.

The program offers an emotionally safe environment with positive messages. It is designed to be fun but also serves as a communication tool for families and professional caregivers to learn more about the person with dementia.

**Special Note:**  
The Alzheimer's Association

*remains committed to our many social engagement programs, such as Memories in the Making, and look forward to restarting them when it is deemed safe for our families, partners and volunteers.*



## Joan Hock

**ART OF MAKING MEMORIES COORDINATOR FOR 16 YEARS**

Joan Hock, a gifted artist who we lost to cancer last year, understood on a very personal level the power of the arts to enrich lives—in particular the lives of those living with memory loss.

In delivering that mission, Joan led the Alzheimer’s Association’s award-winning Memories in the Making Art Program as well as our Memories in the Museum partnership with the Cincinnati Art Museum, Contemporary Arts Center and Taft Museum of Art; along with our other social-engagement adventures for those in the early to mid-stages of dementia.

One caregiver who observed Joan’s magic at work put it this way, “Joan tended to the hearts and spirits of her artists living with Alzheimer’s with her own full and generous heart. She created a welcome and nurturing community where she engaged, cajoled, laughed with and helped her artists.”

Another caregiver agreed saying, “Joan gave each member of the group a sense of accomplishment and genuine enjoyment—meeting every member where they were at



the time. No matter how confused, uncommunicative, worried or resistant someone might be, Joan somehow gave them what they needed.”

An incredible gift indeed.

We at the Association are forever grateful for Joan, her incredible spirit and countless contributions. Joan will be remembered as a person who inspired us all to center ourselves in grace and love, no matter what may come. It is our privilege to honor her tonight.

# #ENDALZ Calendar of Events

## 2021

### June

#### **Servatii's Purple Smiley Face Cookies**

Entire month of June

*All locations*

Percentage of proceeds will benefit the Association.

#### **Suburb Improv**

Saturday, June 5, 7 p.m. & 9:15 p.m.

*Lebanon Theatre*

Check out Suburb Improv on Facebook.

#### **Cheers to Charities**

Thursday, June 10, 7 p.m.

*Westside Brewery*

Dine and donate, raffles, and split the pot.

#### **Brews & Brains Trivia**

Wednesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m.

*Taft's Brewpourium*

Register with the Alzheimer's Association, 513-673-8924 (teams max of 10).

#### **Orange Theory Sunrise Workout**

Friday, June 18, 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Register with Orange Theory Fitness.

Enjoy after-workout happy hour at Grainworks.

#### **Janet's Memories Walk**

Sunday, June 20

*Spring Grove Cemetery*

Contact Karen Rahn for questions: arahn@cinci.rr.com.

#### **Dine and Donate BJ's Brewhouse**

Sunday, June 20, all day

*Three locations: Florence, Tri-County, and Rookwood*

#### **I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Free UDF Ice Cream**

Wednesday, June 23, 11:30 a.m.

*Gateway Office Park Parking Lot,*

*644 Linn St.*

More events: facebook.com/tldcin

### September

#### **Alzheimer's Awareness Day at the Reds**

Friday, Sept. 3, 7:10 p.m.

*Great American Ballpark*

#### **Butler, Warren and Clinton Counties Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Saturday, Sept. 18

*The Square at Union Centre, West Chester*

### October

#### **Cincinnati Tri-State**

#### **Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Saturday, Oct. 2

*Sawyer Point, Downtown Cincinnati*

#### **Adams, Brown, Clermont and Highland Counties**

#### **Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Saturday, Oct. 9

*Sardinia Church of Christ, Sardinia, OH*

#### **Southeastern Ohio**

#### **Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Sunday, Oct. 17

*Athens Community Center, Athens, OH*

#### **Southern Ohio**

#### **Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Saturday, Oct. 23

*Shawnee State University, Portsmouth, OH*

#### **Southeast Indiana**

#### **Walk to End Alzheimer's**

Saturday, Oct. 30

*Liberty Park, Batesville, IN*

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