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MARCH 2015 NEWSLETTER

'FASHION WITH LOVE' EVENTS

This month has seen the main project of the year for CSS. After weeks of planning we are delighted that the 'Fashion With Love' celebrations have been so successful. Every year we mark International Women's Day with a joint celebration with Shanghai Women's Federation. This is usually a large scale fund raising event with Shanghai Children's Foundation. This year we also worked with the Shanghai International Cultural Fashion Festival organisers to launch the month long festival.

We cannot thank our members and supporters enough for making these events possible. It is always a lot of hard work but rewarding to see the team effort result in raising money that can make a difference in local communities. CSS and SWF are currently considering the options of beneficiaries and will meeting with charities and organisations in the coming weeks. For this event we relied on the generosity of donations of fashion accessories from designers and consulates. Not to mention the generosity from the buyers who bid at the auctions and all those who gave their time and sponsorship to the event. The range of accessories reflected the diversity and beauty of our world today. We value your continued support and dedication in future projects.

Some items that were not sold during the auction period and we are working towards the possibility of putting together a virtual shop to give all members and friends a chance to buy these items.

Also, if you would like a copy of the catalogue or photos of the show, please contact CSS.

ACCESSORY PRE-EXHIBITION

On March 13th Shanghai Women's Federation arranged a preview at the Regal East Asia Hotel. The event was part of the 'Fashion With Love' celebrations and invited guests were able to have an exclusive preview of all the accessory items that had been donated for auction through CSS. The ladies of the Herose Club modelled beautiful jewellery from Viva in elegant evening gowns accompanied by a talented violinist.

The CSS accessories were presented in display cases and some pieces were auctioned during the afternoon event.

The pre-exhibition was in advance of the gala fundraiser on 16th March.

CSS Board members with ladies from SWF and the Herose Club



'FASHION WITH LOVE' FUNDRAISING GALA 16 March

Our annual fundraiser took place on Monday 16 March in cooperation with Shanghai Women's Federation, Shanghai Charity Foundation and Shanghai Fashion Culture Festival. This was a gala evening of fashion, glamour, entertainment and celebration, creatively directed by the fashion festival team. It was wonderful to see so many CSS members and friends in attendance. The fashion shows were the highlights of the evening and included the beautiful accessories donated by consulates, members and supporters. These items were auctioned to raise funds for local charities so far we have raised over RMB 450,000. The international model contest was launched and the children delighted the audience in their cute outfits and poses. Some of the models were the children of CSS members.





The International channel of Shanghai made a note about the charity event, if you want to see it, please find below the link:

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Tour of Ascott Serviced Residences



Also in March on Thursday 12th CSS members were invited to view the new Ascott Serviced Residences in Hengshan Road. The apartments are family friendly and available for short or long term lets. We viewed apartments from 1-3 bedrooms and the luxurious penthouse suite with roof terrace. The facilities for residents include a pool, gym, children's play area and restaurant. After the tour we were treated to a delicious champagne afternoon tea. With thanks to the manager, Vela Ganeva.

Website news

The website will be up and running in the next few weeks. CSS board members are receiving training to maintain the site, kindly coordinated by Isabella Macchia Pasqualucci, the administrative officer and treasurer. We plan to invite all members to an official launch soon.

20th Anniversary Celebration

CSS will be inviting all members to celebrate this great anniversary in May. More information to follow.

April event to save the date

Friday 24 April Visit to Tessura luxurious fabric company arranged by the Consulate General of Russia. There will be more information to follow on this event.

If you would like to host an event or have some information of interest to CSS members and families please contact CSS Board on shanghaicss@hotmail.com.

