

I/We would like to join Big Bang! Please reserve:

BIG BANG TABLE SPONSORSHIPS

Global Visionary (table for ten, \$150,000)

- » Pre-event VIP meet and greet with Big Bang Keynote Speaker and Academy Leadership
- » Premium seating at dinner with Big Bang Keynote Speaker or Academy Executive Director
- » Bespoke experience for your table at the California Academy of Sciences
- » Invitation to international research expedition with Academy scientists
- » VIP Lounge access with reserved seating and bottle service at Party After Dark
- » Fair Market Value = \$4,500

Environmental Advocate (table for ten, \$120,000)

- » Pre-event VIP meet and greet with Big Bang Keynote Speaker and Academy Leadership
- » Premium seating at dinner with an Academy scientist
- » Invitation to international research expedition with Academy Scientists
- » VIP Lounge access with reserved seating and bottle service at Party After Dark
- » Fair Market Value = \$4,500

Biodiversity Champion (table for ten, \$60,000)

- » Preferred seating at dinner with an Academy scientist
- » Invitation to a Local Expedition with Academy scientists
- » VIP admission to Party After Dark
- » Fair Market Value = \$4,500

Conservation Partner (table for ten, \$30,000)

- » Reserved seating at dinner
- » Invitation to a Local Expedition with Academy scientists
- » Fair Market Value = \$4,000

BIG BANG INDIVIDUAL TICKETS

Individual Ticket (\$6,000 each)

- » Preferred seating at dinner with an Academy scientist
- » VIP admission to Party After Dark
- » Fair Market Value = \$450

Individual Ticket (\$3,000 each)

- » Reserved seating at dinner
- » Fair Market Value = \$400

All Big Bang guests will receive:

- » Complimentary valet parking
- » Ticket to Party After Dark with musical entertainment, cocktails and dancing throughout the museum
- » Listing on Big Bang print invitation (if received by printing deadline)

DONATION ONLY

- I/We are unable to attend but would like to support the Big Bang fundraiser and the Academy's mission. Enclosed is a tax deductible contribution in the amount of

\$ _____.



To complete your purchase online, visit calacademy.org/bigbang



Full Name (as you wish it to appear on all Big Bang marketing materials)

Enclosed is my check payable to the California Academy of Sciences

Please bill my credit card:

Visa

MasterCard

American Express

Discover

Card Number

Expiration Date

Signature

CVV Number

Address

City / State / ZIP

Contact Phone Number

E-mail Address

To be listed on the printed invitation, please return this form by February 7 to:

California Academy of Sciences, 2025 Big Bang
55 Music Concourse Drive, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA 94118

Phone: 415-379-5423

Email: nleaser@calacademy.org

BIG BANG

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Donor Advised Funds Updated Contributions Policy

In recent years the IRS has increased scrutiny over donor advised fund (DAF) contributions for event tickets and purchases. Upon receipt of DAF payments, the payment administrator requires the Academy to certify that the donor did not receive any benefits associated with the event including goods & services or event tickets. To be in compliance with and to closely follow the IRS guidelines, the Academy will no longer accept DAF payments for a fundraiser if any benefits are received by the donor. The Academy will return to the payor DAF any payments received which are designated as intended for such event ticket or table packages.

If you would like to attend the event, your tickets/table must be purchased personally without the use of DAF funds. However, DAF funds may be used to make an additional donation, to receive recognition at a higher donor level, or for donations towards the event by non-attendees. In addition, the Academy no longer permits event attendees to bifurcate payments for tickets or tables. Bifurcated payments refer to the split in which the donor pays the fair market value (FMV) portion of the ticket personally and the DAF pays the contribution portion. Nor can event attendees pay for event tickets or packages in full through a DAF and personally pay the FMV portion.

Thank you for your understanding and please feel free to contact the Academy, your DAF administrator, or financial advisor if you have any questions.



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