

Living Without Limits children's charity gala a sellout

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Four South Australian businessmen who joined forces to establish the Living Without Limits Foundation, a not-for-profit children's charity, report their inaugural gala event has sold out within three weeks.

Co-founded by Phillip de Pinto of Universal Motor Auctions; Maras Group MD, Steve Maras; BDO Adelaide Partner, George Yatzis; and Harry Tavlaridis of the Thales Group, the Living Without Limits Foundation was created to raise funds for critical research, support various children's organisations, assist in developmental practices and purchase all important equipment.

The Foundation seeks to help all children to overcome challenges, be participatory, set and achieve their goals and maximise their potential.

A Gala Dinner Spectacular on Saturday, 10 August at the National Wine Centre will officially launch the Foundation.

Foundation Chair, Phillip de Pinto says the "action-packed night promises to be a great show" with entertainment by Lucifer's Lounge and world renowned Elvis impersonator, Mark Anthony, a first class food and beverage package, and some magnificent auction items. Proceeds from the event will go to key projects and to funding research into Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Juvenile Diabetes and Epilepsy.

"The 320-person capacity event was sold out in less than three weeks which was simply fantastic and testament to people's strong desire to support this all important cause," he says.

"We have also been overwhelmed by the tremendous support of so many local and interstate businesses donating items for our main and silent auctions, including Ramon Coloma of International Artists League, Palace Nova Cinemas, SAFM, Parente Couture, sass & bide, bauhaus, endota spa, SABA, AFL, Studio Eco, naomi murrell, Serafino Wines, Argo Espresso, Liza Emanuele, Konica Minolta, Shingleback, East End Cellars, Coca-Cola Amatil, Uggs & Kisses, Kapiris Bros. Victoria H by Felici, Motor One, Pole Position Travel and many more.

"My fellow directors and I are extremely passionate about helping children faced with these impairments and also providing some much needed respite to their parents and families."

The Foundation is calling for volunteers interested in helping out on the night of the Gala event. For information and to register interest, contact Foundation Coordinator, Caitlin Johns on 8212 4766 or 0411 505 104.