FAQs for Guests
Seated at Virtual Tables

Q: What is the event schedule?
The pre-show will run from 7:30 to 8:00 PM in order for everyone to “find their seats,” chat with your tablemates, and get settled. Guests at home will join with guests at the Ziegfeld Ballroom at 8:00 PM for the live program, which will run no longer than 45 minutes.

Q: What device should I use for logging in?
It is highly recommended to log in to the event from a desktop computer, laptop, or iPad. Please note that your Wi-Fi connection should be as strong as possible.

Q: When will I receive my table information and how will I join the event?
24 hours before the event, you will receive a unique link, personalized pin, and table assignment to the email address you’ve provided. On the evening of the event, you will click the link and insert your name and pin when prompted as well as agree to the site’s terms. Should you have any questions there will be a help button and access to live tech support. If you are tuning in with your household, two minutes prior to the start of the program a countdown clock will begin. At that time, you will be prompted to click the “Program” button at the bottom of your screen to join the broadcast. During the program, you will not be seen or heard by any other guests. When the program ends, you will be prompted to click the “Find My Table” button and navigate back to your table for more time to socialize and network with your tablemates.

Q: How long will we be at tables and can we talk? Will people see me?
We ask that all virtual guests log in at 7:30 PM, where you’ll be able to talk and see tablemates directly just as you would be able to in a Zoom meeting until the main program begins at 8:00 PM.

Q: What should we do?
Chat, connect, network, or give a toast to Children’s Aid. Have fun and relax with your friends and colleagues.

Q: Will we view the whole program together?
All guests will view the program away from their tables. Two minutes prior to the start of the program a countdown clock will begin. At that time, we ask you to click the “Program” button at the bottom of your screen to join the broadcast. During the program, you will not be seen or heard by any other guests. When the program ends, we welcome you to click the “Find My Table” button and navigate back to your table for more time to socialize and network with your tablemates.

Q: Will there be a fundraising component on the evening of the event?
Yes, our auctioneer, Lucas Hunt, will be conducting a virtual paddle raise during the broadcast. At that time, you can click on the “Donate Now” button and be brought to a payment page while still being able to view the broadcast, which will pop out to a smaller size. Once payment is complete, simply click the “Program” button to return to the program at its original size.

Q: What should I wear?
Classy Couch Attire—since you’ll be enjoying the event from the comfort of your own home, the choice is yours!

Q: If I’m tuning in with my household, how many devices will we need?
We recommend using one device per household. If using multiple devices in the same home, we recommend logging in from different rooms to avoid overlapping microphones.