

Merrie Market 2021

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

We are so glad you are joining us for our first ever VIRTUAL Merrie Market Gala!

We thought you may have some questions, so we created this guide.

Merrie Market is Visitation School's largest community-driven fundraiser, supporting every Vis student. Your generosity helps to ensure the continued success of our school and that of our students. Proceeds from Merrie Market go directly into Visitation's operating budget and support some of our most important programs including scholarships, academics, spiritual learning, athletics, and the arts.

1. Do I need to purchase a ticket to attend?

Registration is **FREE** but we encourage you to pre-register [here](https://tinyurl.com/45tdhtz2).
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2. How do I register for the event?

Register by visiting our [Merrie Market website](https://tinyurl.com/45tdhtz2). <https://tinyurl.com/45tdhtz2>
Beginning March 2 all bidding will take place through our mobile Text2Bid platform.
Text VIS to 71760 to get started.

3. What's the schedule?

Online Bidding – Text VIS to 71760

Tuesday, March 2 at 6:00 a.m. and closes at 9:30 p.m. Saturday, March 6.

VIRTUAL GALA

6:45 p.m. Saturday, March 6 – Pre-Show ([Watch Here - https://tinyurl.com/45tdhtz2](https://tinyurl.com/45tdhtz2))

7:00 p.m. – 8:0 p.m. Merrie Market Virtual Gala

Be sure to stick around for a special performance following our program.

4. How do I watch the program?

We recommend having two devices. One to watch and one to bid!

It is best to watch the program on a laptop/tablet or your smart TV.

You should also have your smartphone ready as all bidding and donating will be through our mobile bidding platform. **TEXT VIS to 71760 beginning at 6:00 a.m. March 2.**

5. What if I do not have a smart phone?

No problem! You may use the online [KIOSK](https://text2bid.net/kiosk/vis) for bidding and donating.

<https://text2bid.net/kiosk/vis> For additional support, you can email merriemarket@vischool.org or call 651.683.1704 the night of the event.

6. How do I watch the livestreamed program on March 6?

It will be livestreamed to our auction website [HERE](https://www.visitation.net/merriemarket).

Or by clicking the link on our website: www.visitation.net/merriemarket

7. How will donations made to the event be used?

Proceeds from Merrie Market are immediately put to work to support every Visitation student, provide for improvements necessary to keep our students safely in the classroom and to support families by providing much needed Tuition Assistance through our Fund A Need appeal.

8. How do I bid on auction items?

Bidding can be done online beginning March 2 at 6:00 a.m.

Bidding and closes at 9:30 p.m. on March 6.

All bidding will be through our Text2Bid mobile platform during the program.

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9. How do I donate to the fund-a-need?

There are several options:

- Before March 6, you may make your gift on online.
- You may contact the Merrie Market office prior to the event at 651-683-1725.
- You may make your gift using the Text2Bid platform during the event.

Text VIS to 71760.

10. What if I want to pay with something other than a credit card?

If you wish to pay by check or use your donor advised fund for donations made to our Fund A Need, please contact Charlotte Bovee at 651-683-1725 / cbovee@vischool.org.

11. Are sponsorships available?

[Sponsorships](#) are available and are an opportunity for you to show your support of Visitation while helping to create the foundation for a wonderful event. Sponsorships may be purchased through the [auction website](#) or by contacting the Merrie Market office 651.683.1725 / cbovee@vischool.org

12. Can food, wine, or a cocktail kit, be purchased for the event?

Gala Boxes are available for purchase prior to the event. Price is \$100.

Join the fun from home with our pre-packaged Gala in a Box. [Purchase HERE](#)

13. What is the event hashtag? #VISMM21

We encourage you to share photos of your Virtual Viewing Parties by tagging them with our event hashtag. Photos will then be linked to our program chat. Join the fun!

14. Who can I contact if I have additional questions?

Please contact Charlotte Bovee at 651-683-1725 / cbovee@vischool.org

For questions, the night of the event you can email merriemarket@vischool.org for help or call 651.683.1704

15. What if I cannot attend the virtual event yet still want to support Visitation?

Donations and gifts can be made prior to March 6 by using our [online auction site](#) or by contacting Charlotte Bovee in the Merrie Market office cbovee@vischool.org / 651-683-1725.

[Raffle tickets](#) must be received by March 5 at 5:00 p.m. to be included in the drawing.

For all things Merrie Market, please visit visitation.net/merriemarket

