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SOS Children's Village BC and RE/MAX offer Vancouverites the chance of a lifetime to HUG OSCAR® at the Parade of Christmas Holiday Gala

Surrey, British Columbia On Thursday November, 28th at 6:30pm, the top of Grouse Mountain, The Peak of Vancouver, will be all aglow with the fundraising festivities and holiday magic of the beloved **Parade of Christmas Holiday Gala** benefitting SOS Children's Village BC, presented by RE/MAX Lower Mainland Agents. New this year, we are thrilled to announce the addition of a live auction to the event, and our feature, once-in-a-lifetime package HUG OSCAR®. **The winner of this item will have the exciting opportunity to hug and take pictures with the most famous statuette in the world:** the actual Academy Award won by Guillaume Rocheron for Visual Effects in *The Life of Pi!* In addition, the winner will be taken on a private tour by Mr. Rocheron around MPC (Moving Picture Company) Vancouver, the studio that won the Oscar. This is an exclusive chance to make memories that will last a lifetime.

Another priceless item being auctioned by SOS Children's Village BC is a wooden sculpture 'Flight' by one of the children in our foster village in Surrey with the help of renowned Vancouver sculptor and artist **Craig Sibley**. We are also proud to offer a fantastic original painting by Aboriginal artist **Jerry Whitehead** in our live auction.

Attending the evening event are SOS Ambassadors: Olympian Alexa Loo and Grey Cup winner Lyle Green, with host Colin Foo.

A few tickets are still available for this exciting event at www.sosbc.org/gala.

About SOS Children's Village BC

SOS Children's Villages is the world's largest non-governmental, non-denominational child development organization for orphaned and abandoned children. It has existed for over 60 years with presence in 133 countries and over 550 villages. British Columbia is home to the only SOS Children's Village in Canada. SOS Children's Village BC provides community-based family care services to improve and sustain the quality of life for foster children and foster families through a variety of programs that address social development and healing. Headquartered in Surrey, the organization actively creates opportunities, programs and services to increase stability and continuity for foster children and their foster parents.

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