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Holiday Charity Date Auction

The launch of FEMME announced...

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Jump-start this **holiday season** with a **feel-good event** that will most definitely leave you **satisfied**. With a **unique spin** on the traditional **auction fundraiser**, this night will put **15 single** and **very eligible bachelors** up for grabs **for a good cause**. With each date will come a **soothing pampering session** for the lucky woman, and **dinner for two** at one of **Manhattan's hippest restaurants**.

All proceeds from both the door and the auction itself go towards **Intergenerational Women's Alliance**, a **non-profit** dedicated to **enriching the lives of girls and women** of all ages through intergenerational programs that **promote mutual empowerment** and **encourage community involvement**. **IWA** offers **creative arts** and **mentoring** programs throughout NYC. Running the event is **Ms. Kerry Bannigan**, **CEO and Founder** of **Kerry Bannigan Life Coaching**, a service that **assists young women to live the life they desire**; specializing in **daughters of divorce** and **female entrepreneurs**.

The event will also serve as a **kick-off** for **FEMME**, a **new community** launching in the New Year. **FEMME**, standing for **Female Entrepreneurs: Mingling, Motivating & Empowering**, will be yet another resource for women who want to meet **like-minded women – in business**. Stay tuned, as the **FEMME** co-chairs prepare to announce their revolutionary **new networking technique**.

And - who better to **entertain** us on this evening, than the **ever-sensual Grace Garland**, a **jazz-infused R&B vocalist** with a **brand new album** releasing in November, "**Lovers Never Lie...In Bed**", and a **holiday single** that will put everyone in the mood. Grace's favorite way to entertain is **among friends**, with a **martini in hand**, and so, she will be a delightful addition to what this night is likely to be.

Join us for a night of **entertainment, good laughs**, and **smart fundraising** on **Thursday, December 1st, 2005** at **The Sly Bar** (310 Spring Street, between Greenwich and Hudson) in **SoHo**. **Advanced ticket sales** for the event will be made available via rsvp@kerrybannigan.com at \$45 a piece (reserve your place soon as space is limited). For press and/or other inquiries, please contact alyson@artist-media.com.

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