

Friday, October 13, 2017

## Paying Tribute

On October 5, CITTA held a fundraiser at Tribeca Skyline Studios — a celebration of the beauty and culture India has to offer. Co-hosts **Diana Kellogg** and **Neil Burger**, **Sarah Addington Emanuel**, **Dr. Christopher Barley** (CITTA's President) and **Michael Daube** (CITTA's founder) entertained a group of dedicated New Yorkers with Indian dancers, musicians and a henna painter under an enormous Indian tent, which was later auctioned off.

Guests included honoree **Mickey Boardman** from *Paper Magazine*, **Jodie Foster**, *The Good Wife's* **Archie Panjabi**, **David Byrne**, **Michael Musto**, **Zolaykha Sherzad**, **Emma Snowden-Jones**, **Dana Barnes**, **Avantika Chakravarthi** and **Sachin Patel**, **Ellen O'Connell** and **Angus Beavers**, author **Dirk Wittenborn**, **Teri Jankowski**, **Katie Ford**, **Dane Nichols** and **Dane Towell**, **Tobin Heminway** and **Ray Hannigan**, **Lisa Zabel**, **Anne Kothari**. There was a silent auction with artworks and items from **Bob Dylan**, **Meera Gandhi**, **David Byrne**, **Shirin Neshat**, and **Kiki Smith**, **Dana Barnes**, and a live auction offering a 16 day trek across Nepal.



Teri Jankowski, John Lyons, Dr. Christopher Barley, and Luke Carron

CITTA's mission ([citta.org](http://citta.org)) is to implement methods that help build and support development in some of the most economically challenged, geographically remote and marginalized communities in the world. Funds raised from the event will go towards CITTA's Girls School and Women's Economic Center in Jaisalmer, India.

At this time, there are no educational options for girls in this region. With the provision of a basic education, the girls in Jaisalmer will be afforded life changing opportunities. Additionally, the women in the region will be granted the opportunity to receive training from local artisans helping to empower their future economic independence, which would otherwise prove to be an immense challenge. After three years of funding, the school and economic center will be self-sustaining.





Neil Burger, Mary Conrad, and Tony Conrad



Zolaykha Sherzad



Amanda Moffat, Ray Hannigan, Tobin Heminway, and Diana Kellogg



Diana Kellogg and Sarah Addington Emanuel



Emma Snowdon-Jones, Michael Daube, and Avantika Chakravarthi



Dane Nichols, Sarah Addington Emanuel, Noah Emanuel, and Dane Towell



Michael Daube and Sarah Addington Emanuel



Mickey Boardman and Jodi Foster



Stephanie Hazard, Jack Vaughn, Angus Beavers, and Ellen O'Connell



Archie Punjab



Jot Sandhu, Diana Kellogg, and Naz Valvani



Sachin Patel and Diana Kellogg



Dirk Wittenborn and Alison Mazzola



Avantika Chakravarthi, Mickey Boardman, Michael Daube, and friends