A Celebration of Scotland’s Treasures
THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND FOUNDATION USA requests the pleasure of your company for

A Celebration of Scotland’s Treasures

in support of the restoration of

HOLMWOOD HOUSE

with presentation of
The Great Scot Award

to

DENISE MINA

presented by

LAURA LIPPMAN

with a special performance by

KATE TAYLOR

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2020

The Metropolitan Club • One East 60th Street • New York City

6:30 PM
Cocktails and Whisky Tasting by The Macallan • Silent Auction
Music by Abby Newton with the Scottish Ball Dance Ensemble

7:30 PM
Dinner • Live Auction with Auctioneer Alasdair Nichol

10:00 PM
Scottish Country Dancing

RSVP Enclosed Card • Black Tie or Tartan Attire
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HOLMWOOD HOUSE (1857-8) is one of Glasgow's architectural treasures. The Victorian villa was designed by Alexander “Greek” Thomson, who preceded Charles Rennie Mackintosh as Glasgow’s most iconic stylist. Although he never traveled beyond the English Channel, Thomson's vivid imagination allowed him to infuse classical design with jaw-dropping exoticism, combining Greek, Roman, Egyptian, and Indian influences. At Holmwood, classical patterns are etched into the sandstone exterior; inside, painstakingly detailed scenes from the Iliad make up the dining room frieze. NTSUSA donors have supported the National Trust for Scotland's ongoing restoration of Thomson's exuberant interiors, and Holmwood's boldly colored stencil work serves as the inspiration for this invitation's design.

DENISE MINA is a Scottish crime writer and playwright. Born in East Kilbride in 1966, due to her father's profession as an engineer, the family moved 21 times in 18 years: from Paris to The Hague, London, Scotland and Bergen. Mina left school at sixteen and worked in a variety of low-skilled jobs. In her twenties, however, she returned to education, earning an undergraduate degree from Glasgow University Law School and a PhD from Strathclyde. It was while researching a PhD thesis and teaching criminology and criminal law at Strathclyde University in the 1990s, that she decided to write her first novel Garnethill, published in 1998, which won the Crime Writers Association John Creasy Dagger for Best First Crime Novel. In 2014 she was inducted into the Crime Writers' Association Hall of Fame. Mina has now published 13 novels and also writes short stories, plays, and graphic novels. Her 2019 novel Conviction was selected as a Reese Witherspoon book club pick and New York Times Best Crime Novel of the Year. She presents TV and radio programs as well as regularly appearing in the media, and at literary festivals. In addition, she leads masterclasses on writing, and was a judge for the Bailey's Prize for Women's Fiction 2014. Mina lives in Glasgow, the frequent setting of her novels.

LAURA LIPPMAN has been called one of the “essential” crime novelists of the past 100 years, with 24 books published in 30 languages. A former journalist, she continues to write for numerous publications, including the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post, Real Simple, New York magazine and Glamour.com. She lives in Baltimore and New Orleans with her family.

ALASDAIR NICHOL, our auctioneer for the evening, is an international authority on paintings, a frequent appraiser on PBS' Antiques Roadshow since 1998, and is Chairman and co-owner of Freeman's, America’s oldest auction house. Mr. Nichol has lectured extensively in both the United States and the United Kingdom at universities, art schools, societies, and private clubs on a variety of subjects, ranging from the Art Market to the Pennsylvania Impressionists and Scottish Art. Born in Edinburgh, Scotland, Alasdair originally trained as a painter in Aberdeen and then Belfast, where he graduated with a Master's Degree in 1984. In 2017 he was honored with the Mark Twain Award by the St Andrew's Society of the State of New York, the state's oldest charitable organization.
THE MACALLAN is one of the world’s most awarded and admired single malts. This peerless reputation has been built by the commitment of The Masters of Spirit and Wood, the craftsmen at the heart of The Macallan since it was legally licensed in 1824. Their unflinching obsession with selecting exceptional oak casks and distilling sublime spirits brings an unsurpassed, timeless quality to The Macallan.

ABBY NEWTON is well-known for her groundbreaking work in the revival of the cello in American and Scottish traditional music. She is equally proficient on the fiddle having led Scottish Ball dance bands for the past 20 years. Abby has a long-standing recording career during which she has co-produced and performed on more than 100 folk recordings including 17 albums with Scottish singer, Jean Redpath. Abby’s solo albums “Crossing to Scotland” and “Castles, Kirks, and Caves” have earned her critical acclaim both in the US and abroad. She has appeared on Prairie Home Companion several times and Fiona Ritchie, of the NPR show Thistle and Shamrock, did a feature program on Abby’s music and her major influence on the folk cello movement. She has toured with her band Ferintosh throughout Scotland and the US and currently plays with the Skye Trio and The Scottish Ball Dance Ensemble.

KATE TAYLOR lives year round on Martha’s Vineyard, an island off the coast of Massachusetts. She was raised in Chapel Hill, NC. Her brothers Alex, James, Livingston, and Hugh are also songwriters and performers. Kate recorded her first album, “Sister Kate,” in 1971 with Peter Asher. Her second album, “Kate Taylor,” was produced by brother James for Columbia Records and was released in 1976. Her third record, “It’s in There and It’s Got to Come Out,” produced by Barry Beckett, was recorded at Muscle Shoals Sound Studios in Muscle Shoals, Alabama and was released in 1978 on Columbia Records. After starting her family, Kate took time from performing to raise her daughters. She now once again brings her original songs and her favorite covers to her beautiful audiences. Her most recent albums include “Beautiful Road” and “Fair Time!”
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The National Trust for Scotland was founded in 1931 to protect some of our country's most precious historical places and natural landscapes on behalf of the people of Scotland. It is now Scotland's largest membership organization and conservation charity, supported by more than 380,000 members. The Trust cares for more than 90 visitor properties and almost 200,000 acres of countryside, as well as coastlines, islands, wildlife, cottages, mountains, woodlands, battlefields, castles, and country houses.

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LOVE OF COUNTRY CRUISE WITH NOBLE CALEDONIA

*Love of Country* is a unique cruise around the Northern and Western Isles of Scotland, exclusively designed for the National Trust for Scotland to celebrate the special places in our care. Noble Caledonia introduced small ship cruising to Scotland almost 30 years ago. The geography of Scotland lends itself well to exploration by sea, perfect for their ships that carry between 70–100 passengers. Explore Shetland, Fair Isle and St Kilda, and cruise to the Hebridean islands of Canna, Skye, Staffa, Iona and Colonsay. The magical gardens of Inverewe and the Castle of Mey also feature on the voyage. Guest speaker John Love will be on board to enhance your experience with his knowledge of the botany, ornithology and history of the islands. *On offer is a double cabin for two in the Category 4 level. The cruise runs July 24 – August 2, 2021.* Generously donated by Noble Caledonia.

MOUNT STUART WITH ACCOMMODATIONS AT EDINBURGH’S ICONIC HOTEL, THE BALMORAL

Spend three incredible days in Scotland featuring an enlightening visit to a remarkable architectural feat, Mount Stuart. This unique excursion will start with a champagne reception at Lyon & Turnbull followed by three nights at The Balmoral, an Edinburgh icon at the heart of city. The highlight of the visit is a trip by car and ferry to Mount Stuart, the home of the Marquess of Bute and one of the UK’s foremost collections of artworks and artifacts. Following lunch Charlotte Rostek, the Steward of the House and Bute Collection, will give an extensive private tour of this unique Scottish treasure house. You will be instantly captivated by the scope of the collection, from the outstanding 18th and 19th-century British portraiture by Ramsay, Reynolds, Gainsborough, Lawrence, and Raeburn to the recently discovered Shakespeare First Folio. Journey beneath the star-spangled ceiling of the Marble Hall and onwards to the breath-taking wonder of the extraordinary ‘Burges Chapel’, a masterpiece of Gothic Revival. With stars in your eyes you will return to Edinburgh for two more nights at the Balmoral, a perfect location from which to discover the stunning architecture, endless winding streets and historic landmarks of Scotland’s capital. *Reservation is by mutual agreement among all parties and excludes August and the Christmas/New Year periods. Expires October 16, 2021.* Generously donated by Dreamescape, The Balmoral, a Rocco Forte hotel, and Lyon & Turnbull.

‘A TASTE OF THE HIGHLANDS’ WITH BELMOND ROYAL SCOTSMAN

Embark on a Highland adventure with two nights aboard the Belmond Royal Scotsman luxury train. Unwind in en-suite cabins, enjoy a dram of whisky from the bar and savor fine Scottish fare. Elegant Edwardian interiors exude opulence and warmth, while the onboard Bamford Haybarn Spa and outdoor observation platform offer modern indulgence. Carefully curated to capture Scotland’s wild spirit, ‘A Taste of the Highlands’ journey celebrates the country’s stunning scenery, historic gems and leisurely pursuits. Highlights include a visit to Rothiemurchus Estate, a private tour of Culloden Battlefield and a trip to the Strathisla Distillery. *Accommodates two guests. Reservation by mutual agreement. Expires October 10, 2021.* Generously arranged by Luxury Scotland, Belmond Royal Scotsman, and the Robert Titley Consultancy.
THE MACALLAN ESTATE VIP EXPERIENCE

By special invitation, the winner of this prize will be invited to the new Macallan Distillery in Speyside, a striking piece of architecture that marries whisky making heritage with an innovative vision that has been at the heart of The Macallan for almost 200 years. Your private VIP tour begins with tea and coffee at the iconic Easter Elchies House, depicted on every bottle of The Macallan. You will then embark on a private tour of the 485 acre The Macallan Estate, past the warehouses with slumbering casks inside, alongside the barley fields and down to the mighty River Spey. Your journey will continue to the Distillery Experience where you will gain insight into the process, production, people and passion that make The Macallan's single malt whisky so unique. The experience will culminate in a special tasting of The Macallan whiskies at Easter Elchies House. This offer is valid until April 16, 2021. Advance reservation is necessary, and dates are subject to availability. Generously donated by The Macallan.

GOLF HOLIDAY IN THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS

A quintessential Scottish experience! Tee time for four on two of the world's top 100 courses – Castle Stuart and Royal Dornoch, both located near Inverness, the cultural capital of the Scottish Highlands. Players from all over the world make the pilgrimage to this wild and remote area to play the natural links courses at some point in their lives. Accommodations are for two nights in the Lodges at Castle Stuart Golf Links, allowing for relaxation before and after tee time. The lodge can accommodate up to eight guests and your stay may be extended. Numbers may also be added to your tee times. Quotes will be provided to you for any extensions or additions. Offer is valid until October 31, 2021. Reservation is subject to availability. Generously donated by Castle Stuart Golf Links and Royal Dornoch Golf Club.

MORE EXCLUSIVE TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES AND EXPERIENCES WILL INCLUDE:

Two nights in Edinburgh's Pavilion at Lamb's House during the Edinburgh International Festival (August 30-31, 2020) with bandstand tickets to the Virgin Money Fireworks Concert on August 31, 2020 • Three nights on Nantucket in a one-bedroom suite at The Nantucket Hotel. Enjoy golf at the Nantucket Golf Club with NTSUSA patron Kennedy Richardson, lunch beachside at The Galley, and a pair of your very own Nantucket Reds • Two nights in the luxurious Fife Arms Hotel, with a tour of the Cairngorms' illicit whisky distilleries led by “Scotland's own Indiana Jones,” the Trust's Head Archaeologist Derek Alexander • Bed and breakfast for two-nights at the historic and luxurious Culloden House Hotel, including dinner one evening • Get back to nature with a day of fly fishing in the North Carolina Blue Ridge Mountains using a vintage bamboo flyrod.

This listing is a preview of what will be offered at the event. Please check our website leading up to the gala to view the full auction catalog.
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Thursday, April 16, 2020
The Metropolitan Club
One East 60th Street
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TABLES

___ CHAIRMAN’S CIRCLE: $25,000
Includes a premium table of ten, champagne with dessert, recognition in program, and invitation for two to a dinner on April 15 at the Union Club.

___ PRESIDENT’S CIRCLE: $15,000
Includes a prime table of ten, champagne with dessert, recognition in program, and invitation for two to a dinner on April 15 at the Union Club.

___ DIRECTOR’S CIRCLE: $10,000
Includes a priority table of ten, recognition in program, and an invitation for two to a dinner on April 15 at the Union Club.

___ JUNIORS’ CIRCLE: $4,500
Ages 35 and under. Includes a table of ten and recognition in program.

INDIVIDUALS

___ UNDERWRITER: $2,500
Includes dinner for one at premium table, recognition in program, and invitation for one to a dinner on April 15 at the Union Club.

___ BENEFACCTOR: $1,500
Includes dinner for one at prime table and recognition in program.

___ SPONSOR: $1,000
Includes dinner for one and recognition in program.

___ MEMBER: $600
Includes dinner for one.
Membership Number: _____________________ Expiration: ________

___ JUNIOR: MEMBER $450 / NON-MEMBER $500
Ages 35 and under. Includes dinner for one.
Membership Number: _____________________ Expiration: ________

___ DANCING ONLY: MEMBER $100 / NON-MEMBER $125
Includes 9:00 practice; 10:00 dancing in Great Hall and cocktails only. All but $80 per person is tax-deductible according to applicable Federal tax law.
Membership Number: _____________________ Expiration: ________

You must be a current member to purchase a member ticket. New members please include membership payment.*

___ I/We would like to make a Contribution. Although I/we cannot attend, I/we would like to make a tax-deductible contribution of $______________________.
Contributions of $1,000 or more will be included in appropriate listing on the program.
*YES, I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF NTSUSA

___ Single $75
___ Family (2 adults, 4 children) $125
___ Senior (age 60+) $60
___ Joint Senior (2 adults, 60+) $80
___ Under 25 $35

Primary Member: ____________________________________________

Additional Member: __________________________________________

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PAYMENT

___ Enclosed is my check, made payable to The National Trust for Scotland Foundation USA, in the amount of $_______________ for tickets/membership as indicated on the opposite page.

___ Please charge my credit card in the amount of $_______________ for tickets/membership as indicated on the opposite page.
    Credit Card No.: ______________________ Expiration Date: _______ CVV: ______

___ Please keep my credit card on file for auction purchases at the event

Name as it appears on card: ______________________________________

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

My/Our Names (as they should appear on printed materials)

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MY/OUR GUESTS WILL BE:

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PLEASE SEAT ME/US WITH:

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Please seat me at a Junior Committee table (ages 35 and under)

I/WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING DIETARY RESTRICTIONS:

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SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE PRACTICES
THURSDAY, APRIL 9 AND TUESDAY, APRIL 14 | 7-9PM
PEARL STUDIOS NYC, 519 8TH AVENUE, 12TH FLOOR
If you have not done Scottish country dancing before, we invite you to attend these practices before the event.

___ I will attend Thursday, April 9th  ___ I will attend Tuesday, April 14th

FOR MORE INFORMATION visit www.ntsusa.org or please contact Maggie Fogel at 212-873-2955 or mfogel@ntsusa.org