

# Your Jewelry Purchase this Season can Benefit All Charities



by Sarah A. Cart

As you draft your holiday shopping list (or wish list...), here's a simple way to benefit Ocean Reef's All Charities at the same time: Give jewelry from internationally renowned Chicago jeweler Lester Lampert.

The suggestion is made with a lovely ulterior motive: From now through the month of February, whenever an Ocean Reef member makes a purchase from the jeweler, Mr. Lampert will

donate 20 percent of the proceeds to All Charities, including from any sales made over the 10th annual All Charities Weekend to be held Feb. 10 and 11.

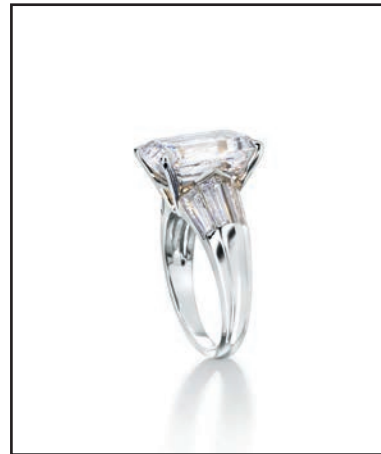
Buy something brand new, or commission an extreme makeover of a former favorite. No matter the price tag, All Charities will receive 20 percent so long as you mention you are a member of Ocean Reef.



"I am thrilled at Lester's generosity," says All Charities Chairman **Mike Berman**. "He's created original designs for a host of celebrities including Count Basie, Angelina Jolie, Michael Jordan, Barbara Walters, Vince Vaughn, Diane Sawyer, and Oprah Winfrey,

and my wife, Angie, has been a loyal fan of his for years."

Many of his pieces can be seen online at [www.lesterlampert.com](http://www.lesterlampert.com), although online ordering is not available, your shopping can be done via phone call ([312-944-6888](tel:312-944-6888)) (or a visit to his four-story brownstone show room at 7 East Huron Street in Chicago). The result will come with a bit of history and be created as a piece of fine art.



"We are also honored by Lester's donation of a one-of-a-kind diamond necklace to this season's All Charities Auction and that he will be exhibiting his artwork at the Carysfort Hall over that weekend," adds **Adelaide Skoglund**, co-chair with **Ken Karl**, of the Feb. 10-11 festivities.

A longtime jeweler featuring signature precious gemstone collections plus custom design options, Lester Lampert continues a legacy begun by his grandfather 97 years ago. In his career, he has designed a number of commissions, among them an 18kt. gold paper-



weight for Pope John Paul II's historic visit to Chicago (the original paperweight resides in the Vatican Museum); 27 new pieces for the Grainger Hall of Gems at the Field Museum of Chicago; a stained glass window on permanent display at the Loyola University Museum

of Art; and the Phantom of the Opera jewelry line.



So make your purchases now for holiday or special occasion gifts and at the same time, thanks to Mr. Lampert's generosity to All Charities, you'll benefit the Reef's own Medical Center, Cultural Center, Art League, Academy, ORCAT, and the Ocean Reef Conservation Association as well as the lives of thousands in the cities of Key Largo, Florida City, and Homestead.

### All Charities' purpose:

All Charities helps ensure the viability of not-for-profit institutions important to Ocean Reef (Medical Center, Cultural Center, Art League, Academy, ORCAT and Conservation Association) and provides much needed funds to dozens of worthy charities serving Homestead, Florida City and the Upper Keys, helping to improve lives through grants from the Ocean Reef Community Foundation.

### Questions?

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