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Dog's World Edition



Dear Friends:

The music icon Madonna sang that "we are living in a material world." Well, I would say we are living in a "dog's world"...and we are all the better for it! In fact, the social relationship between our two species - humans and canines is unique, unlike all others in the animal kingdom. For all the things we feel we do for dogs, for all the times we feel we adopt them, in truth, they adopt us. And although they owe us a little, we owe them everything.

I believe this is the message that came through loud and clear when I joined with our partners at American Humane to host an exclusive screening of Made for Each Other at The Breakers on Tuesday, Nov. 12. The 60-minute documentary, now streaming on Amazon Prime, was produced by six-time Emmy Award winner Ric Burns and Bonnie Lafave of Steeplechase Films in conjunction with my LP Life Productions.

Upcoming events

December 2019

MICHAEL KORS Red Month Mention LIFE when you shop at the MICHAEL KORS Boutique on Worth Avenue and 20% of the sale will benefit LIFE!

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> Friday, January 3, 2020 The Breakers, Palm Beach

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(Dear Friends continued)

Ms. Lafave was gracious to attend, and we took the opportunity to recognize her at the event. We also saluted American Humane's president, Dr. Robin Ganzert, during the program, which included a magnificent cocktail reception, dinner, and music by the Danny Beck Band. A special addition to the program was having a handful of dogs on hand that were recently rescued from the devastation caused by the historic hurricane in the Bahamas. They are now being treated, sheltered, and are up for adoption at Tri-County Animal Rescue, the great organization run by our own Suzi Goldsmith.



The 125 guests all agreed that the real highlight of the evening, though, was the screening of *Made for Each Other*. Indeed, the film - a captivating mixture of insightful interviews with the world's leading experts, magnificent cinematography, and fun and fabulous animation - illuminates how the human-canine bond is unique in nature, not only one dating back to the origin of both species but one that continues to shape how both live and feel, work, and play.

That's one of the reasons that we always refer to dogs as 'our best friend.' Yet, even though I know this to be true, I always wanted to know why. That was the impetus and inspiration for creating Made for Each Other.

The film is not just about the jobs and work that dogs perform, though that is part of our ever-evolving relationship. *Made for Each Other* considers how humans think about dogs and what we know about how dogs experience the world around them. This reveals their remarkable biological features, cognitive capacities, and communication skills, all of which have contributed to their ability to come over to our side-- to accommodate themselves to life with humans.

Made for Each Other was filmed in diverse locations across the United States, including research laboratories, kennels, rescue shelters, training facilities, hospitals, convalescent homes, game preserves, dog runs and backyards, from Alaska to Atlanta and beyond, in a loving and clear-eyed exploration of this most moving and essential of all intra-species relationships.

This incredible film also explains some of the ways in which dogs have increasingly become a source of fascination for scholars across a variety of disciplines, including archaeology, genetics, psychology, and sociology, and details the latest scientific investigations that expose the complexity and depth of humans' relationship with dogs. From beginning to end, *Made for Each Other* makes it clear that the more we learn about dogs, the more we understand about ourselves.

I hope you will all take the time to watch the film. And in this season of giving, remember to give your dogs, or your friends' and neighbors' dogs, a gentle pat, a big hug, and a special treat because we are genuinely *Made for Each Other*.

Love,

Lois