

About Miriam's Kitchen

Every weekday, one out of every ten of the District's nearly 2,000 chronically homeless individuals turns to Miriam's Kitchen for services in four program areas:

The Breakfast Program: Our professionally trained chef oversees more than 1,200 volunteers annually to prepare hot meals each weekday morning. In 2008, we served more than 55,000 meals to homeless men and women in Washington, DC.

Case Management: Our Case Managers help guests in their various needs, such as transportation to appointments, toiletries, clothing, access to housing, employment, and medical care, as well as mail and voicemail services, information about services provided by local social service agencies, and counseling. In 2008, we served an astounding 2,456 guests with case management services.

The After-Breakfast Program: Every day after breakfast, Miriam's Kitchen runs therapeutic groups including visual art, geography, poetry, creative writing, and literary discussions. In 2008, Miriam's Poets held five public readings at area schools and Miriam's Artists exhibited their art at local art galleries, restaurants, cafes, and churches.

Arnold's Place Transitional Housing Program: Miriam's newest program opened in October 2003 and houses four male residents for up to 24 months. At Arnold's Place, residents work with their assigned Case Managers to receive support as they move toward more permanent housing.

100 Bowls of Compassion

Thursday, May 14, 2009
National Building Museum
6-9:30 pm

The night's festivities include gourmet cuisine, an open bar, live music, and live and silent auctions. Help us create a night of inspiration, compassion, and action!

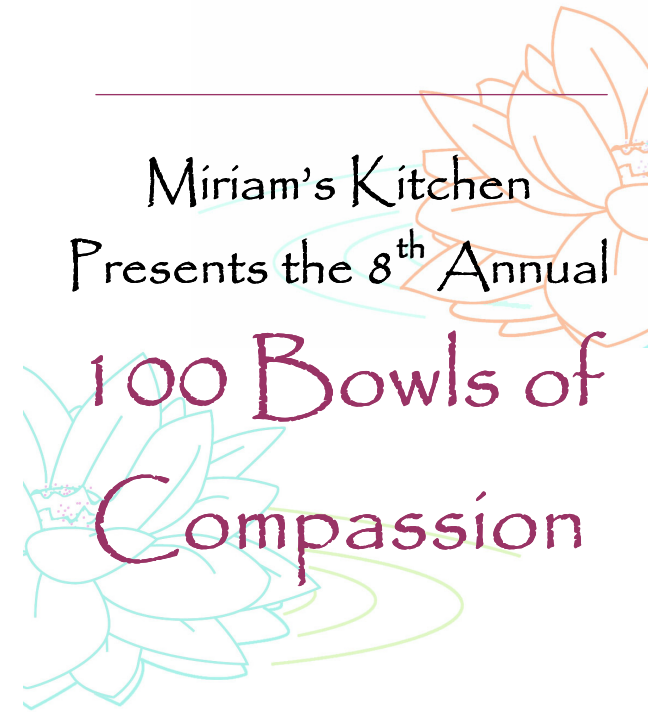
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Miriam's Kitchen
Presents the 8th Annual

100 Bowls of Compassion



"Compassion is like the moon shining on one hundred bowls of water, so that there are one hundred moons, one in each bowl. This is not the moon's design nor was it designed by anyone else. But for some strange reason there seems to be one hundred moons in one hundred bowls of water."

- Chogyam Trungpa Rinpoche,
Tibetan Meditation Master

100 Bowls of Compassion: A CALL TO ARTISTS

Since 2001, artists have come together to participate in a distinctive event in Washington, DC – an upscale fundraiser that has made a significant difference in the lives of our homeless neighbors.

With the support of talented artists like you, 100 Bowls of Compassion raised nearly \$250,000 last year. These important funds enable Miriam's Kitchen to provide high-quality, direct services for individuals who are homeless and help them gain a greater quality of life and reach self-sufficiency.

On May 14, 2009, this year's gala will again take place at the National Building Museum and will feature a live and silent auction. This beautiful venue, live music, and delicious cuisine – designed and prepared by Miriam's Kitchen's professional chef and countless volunteers, will create an unforgettable evening dedicated to a great cause.

How you can help

Donate a piece for silent auction. This year we are expanding our theme beyond bowls to include “wares for the table” of all media: wood, ceramic, glass, metal, paper, photos, paintings, or drawings. We seek pieces that are reflective of this high-end event (individual tickets sell for \$250) and that will stand out in the vast space. We also accept hand-made vases and pitchers for decorative flower arrangements, which are sold at the end of the evening.

Donations will be juried for inclusion. Some pieces may be used as gifts for volunteers who make this event successful.

Be our guest at the gala event. Artists who donate one piece are welcome to attend. For a donation of two or more pieces, you may bring a guest. Advanced RSVP is required.

Pass this information on to other artists. We would be pleased to expand our network of participating artists.

Interested in donating?

Email or call to let us know of your plan to donate, or with any questions. With your donation, we ask that you include the artist donation certificate and business cards. Please send your artist statement in advance via email. Your short artist statement and business cards will be displayed with your piece(s).

All pieces should be received no later than Friday, April 24, 2009.

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