



Ottawa's Best Summer Charity Gala Supports Sens Foundation *Annual Event Boasts Record Numbers to Benefit Local Youth*

Thursday, September 2, 2010 – OTTAWA: Brookstreet's 8th Annual Lumière Gala is set to be a sold out affair. The charity gala, to be held on Wednesday, September 8th, will benefit the Ottawa Sens Foundation. Funds raised will address needs in the areas of education, health, and recreation for children and youth in eastern Ontario and western Quebec.

"We are committed to our community and proud of our philanthropic achievements," said Brookstreet Hotel Executive Vice-President Patrice S. Basille. "More than \$190,000 has been raised by our Annual Lumière Gala over the last seven years and another \$130,000 through our ongoing participation in the Weekend to End Women's Cancers."

Referred to as "Ottawa's best summer party," the Lumière Gala began as the grand opening event for Brookstreet Hotel in June 2003. The event's success prompted owner Terry Matthews to make it an annual affair in support of local charitable organizations.

This year's gala will showcase the passion and skills of Clifford Lyness, Executive Chef of the award-winning, four-diamond Perspectives Restaurant at the Brookstreet Hotel. Chef Lyness and his culinary team will prepare numerous menu selections which will be paired with local and international wines. Lumière guests can expect a sensational experience filled with musical entertainment, exciting live and silent auctions, and a spectacular fireworks display to end the evening.

"The Lumière Gala is an outstanding event where guests will enjoy exquisite cuisine and live entertainment all contributing to a great cause," said Sens Foundation president Danielle Robinson. "The Sens Foundation is excited to be the recipient charity and look forward to using the proceeds to make a difference in the health and well-being of our youth."

Details about the event and tickets can be found at www.brookstreet.com/lumiere or the Sens Foundation website www.sensfoundation.com. Brookstreet is extending special guestroom rates from \$99 for all Lumière attendees that wish to spend the night.

About Brookstreet

Brookstreet is Ottawa's leading four-diamond hotel with world-class facilities, including the four-diamond Perspectives Restaurant, The Marshes championship golf course and full-service Au Naturel Spa. Brookstreet actively supports the community through its annual Lumière Gala, participation in the Weekend to End Breast Cancer, food drives for the Kanata Food Cupboard, Adopt-A-Road clean up, as well as support for many other local events and charities. For more information about Brookstreet, please visit: www.brookstreet.com.

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About the Sens Foundation

The mission of the Sens Foundation is to leverage and provide both financial and in-kind support to registered charitable organizations whose programs focus on improving the quality of life for children and youth. Needs are addressed in the areas of education, health, and recreation. Our vision at the Foundation is "for greater goals" in meeting these needs. www.sensfoundation.com

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