



## Media Alert

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### **Rock 'n' Roll Fundraiser for Heart Disease brings Joan Jett and the Blackhearts**

**SEATTLE** – It's the rock 'n' roll event of the year. The On Wings of Hope benefit is Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, raising funds to help The Hope Heart Institute fight America's No. 1 killer, heart disease.

The event shakes up the standard black-tie fundraiser by changing the dress code to "Rock & Roll chic" and hosting Joan Jett and the Blackhearts.

It's the largest fundraiser for the nonprofit Hope Heart Institute, bringing critical heart disease research and prevention programs to Pacific Northwest residents.

Volunteer Co-Chairs Michael and Heather Sandoval and Vanessa Strickland open the doors at 6:00 P.M. for cocktails and an auction preview. The auction, run by Jeff Stokes, includes especially glam items:

- Fashion Week tickets in New York City
- American Music Awards tickets in the front section
- Original glasswork by Dale Chihuly
- Suite for 16 people at Eric Clapton concert

Local artists got into the benefit spirit early. They embellished electric guitars with paint, glitz, and glass as part of the ART of Rock & Roll project - raising funds to help The Hope Heart Institute fight heart disease. The Top 6 guitars were on display at SeaTac International airport leading up to the event, and will be auctioned at the benefit.

#### **On Wings of Hope Benefit**

Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 P.M.

Smith Cove Cruise Terminal/Pier 91: 2001 W. Garfield St.

*Media passes available, contact Fianna at 206-300-6796*

***The Hope Heart Institute***, a Seattle-area non-profit, has a 50-year history of revolutionary medical advances and educational curricula that make heart disease – America's No. 1 cause of death – more treatable, beatable, and preventable. For more, visit [www.hopeheart.org](http://www.hopeheart.org).

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