



Media Advisory – Embassy Dinner 2008, presented by MDS Nordion

Spend your evening with us at the 14th annual **EMBASSY DINNER**, WaterCan’s gala fundraiser *In support of clean water projects in developing countries*

Who	WaterCan - registered Canadian charity
What	Embassy Dinner - gala fundraiser
When	Friday, May 9th, 2008
Where	Aberdeen Pavilion, Lansdowne Park, Ottawa
Time	6:30PM Doors open 7:15PM Dinner 9:00PM Live auction
Goal	Raise \$150,000 to provide access to clean water and sanitation for residents of eastern Africa’s rural areas and urban slums
Format	Buffet dinner, silent auction marketplace, parade of nations, raffle, musical entertainment, live auction
Fare	International dishes and beverages prepared by Ottawa’s Embassies and High Commissions
Tickets	\$125 per person (\$80 tax receipt) \$1300 corporate table of ten, \$1100 corporate table of eight
Guests	Diplomats, corporate owners, government officials, community leaders. Attendance each year exceeds 650 patrons.
Photos	www.watercan.com/special/ed2008.shtml

About the charity

What Do We Do?

WaterCan is a registered Canadian charity that provides the world's poorest people with access to clean water, basic sanitation, and hygiene education. Working with local partner organizations in recipient communities, WaterCan supports small-scale, community-driven projects that dramatically improve the quality of life in rural areas and urban slums.

How Do We Work?

WaterCan places great importance on local capacity building. Strengthening the delivery capacity of indigenous non-governmental organizations establishes on-the-ground ownership over project planning and management, ensures strong project delivery, facility maintenance and project sustainability, and encourages local collaboration among stakeholders.

Where Do We Work?

Since its creation, WaterCan has supported projects in 32 developing countries. In the mid 1990s, WaterCan decided to focus efforts on a few countries at a time in order to make more effective use of resources. We now work in eastern Africa in the rural areas and urban slums of Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Who Funds These Initiatives?

WaterCan is an independent agency and relies on core project funding from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), corporate and private donations, and funds from grants, foundations, and special events to support its work.



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