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POINT FOUNDATION SURPASSES ITS PREVIOUS LOS ANGELES FUNDRAISING EVENT RECORDS

Actors Alan Cumming & Brittany Snow and Car-Maker Audi Honored

LOS ANGELES, October 7, 2010 Point Foundation (Point), the nation's largest scholarship granting organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students of merit, today announced that it hit a new high by raising more than \$300,000 at its annual Point Honors – Los Angeles fundraising gala held at Raleigh Studios in Hollywood on September 25. The contributions came from corporate sponsorships, table and ticket sales, as well as items sold at the live auction.

“The Good Wife” star and Tony® Award winner (“Cabaret”) **Alan Cumming**, received the Point Courage Award, which recognizes an individual who has advocated for the future of the LGBT community and lives with the vision that investing in today's potential will produce a brighter tomorrow. Actress **Rebecca Romjin** presented the award to her “X2: X-Men United” co-star Cumming. In his acceptance speech, Cumming talked about his experience personally mentoring a Point Scholar.

Audi received the Point Inspiration Award, which honors a corporation that champions respect and inclusion of the LGBT community, and operates with the vision that the success achieved by talented young people is limited only by the resources and opportunities they are given to help them fulfill their potential. “Modern Family” stars **Eric Stonestreet** and **Jesse Tyler Ferguson** presented the award to Audi, accepted by Mike Cagle, Audi's director, Western United States.

Actress **Brittany Snow** (New Line Cinema's “Hairspray,” NBC's “Harry's Law”) received the inaugural Point Horizon Award, which recognizes a young person who has taken a leadership role as an advocate of the LGBT community. “90210” star **Jessica Stroup** presented the award to Snow.

Other participants in the gala event included **Danielle Fishel**, **Carson Kressley**, **Jerry O'Connell** (“The Defenders”), **Ana Ortiz**, **Sara Rue**, **Bruno Tonioli** (“Dancing with the Stars”), and music performances by **Renee Olstead** and **Wayne Brady** with **Jai Rodriguez**.

Students who are awarded the organization's prestigious scholarships, known as Point Scholars, are selected through a rigorous and highly competitive process that requires a track record of demonstrated academic excellence, leadership skills and financial need. A number of Point Scholars attended the benefit.

Presenting Sponsor was **Motorola**. Premier Sponsors included **Daniel Polzin, PhD** and **PricewaterhouseCoopers**. Principal Sponsors were **Edelman Public Relations, HBO** and **Wells Fargo**. Point Friends included **Barefoot Winery, Coca-Cola, Grey Goose Vodka** and **Travel Express LA**. Media Sponsors were ***The Advocate*** and ***Frontiers in L.A.***

About Point Foundation

Point Foundation (Point) is the nation's largest scholarship-granting organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students of merit. Point provides financial support, leadership training, mentoring and hope to LGBT individuals who are marginalized because of their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Point provides its scholars with the financial ability to attend the nation's foremost higher educational institutions and its donors and mentors with the rare satisfaction of directly investing their resources and time in future generations of leaders.

For more information about Point Foundation, please visit www.pointfoundation.org. Point Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) organization.

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