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## THE V LIST

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# WHO'S ON THE V LIST?

## VIBES

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Bedecked and bejewelled, Sarah McLachlan, Jann Arden and Tamara Taggart were belles at some of Vanhatlan's biggest ball!

Singer songwriter Sarah McLachlan joined choir Nancy Burke, wine festival director Harry Heitscheg and the well-heeled at the 25th Annual Bacchanalia Gala. The expectant mom-to-be with rock star hubby Ash were just a few of the bold and the beautiful attending the posh party. The crown jewel of the Vancouver Playhouse International Wine Festival, Academy award-winning actor Kevin Spacey opened the gala dinner and auction with a special pre-recorded video message to gala-goers. Spacey, the Artistic Director of London's Old Vic Theatre, urged arts supporters and wine enthusiasts to bid early and bid often which they did, raising a record \$447,000 for Glynis Leyshon's Playhouse Theatre. Andre St. Jacques's Bearfoot Bistrot dinner for ten received the evening top donation of \$25,000 at the live auction while Rob Feenie's dinner for eight fetched \$18,000. Vancouver Canuck's Francesco Aquilini paid \$15,500 for a Mouton Rothschild while Victoria native David Bate's Leopard Frog Vineyard 12 litre "one-off" bottle specially created for the festival earned \$6,000 for the regional theatre company. While aficionados went down under to Australia for this year's regional spotlight, wine enthusiasts will turn their attention to Italian wines for 2008.

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