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JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER EXCEEDS FUNDRAISING GOAL, AND OFFERS \$25 TICKETS TO GALA EVENT

Agvar Chemicals Inc. (whose logo is “generic drugs are affordable miracles”), the lead corporate sponsor of Jazz at Lincoln Center’s 2009 Fall Gala, has made a generous contribution which enabled the organization to exceed its Fall Gala fundraising goal of \$2 million. This gift, along with generous support from Jazz at Lincoln Center’s board of directors, allowed the organization to offer 130 New Yorkers the chance to experience the festive event, including a concert and dinner, throughout its home at Columbus Circle on Monday night, November 16. Lisa Schiff, Chairman of Jazz at Lincoln Center’s board, said, “Jazz at Lincoln Center is deeply grateful to Board member Dr. Agnes Varis, Founder and President of Agvar Chemicals Inc. and gala corporate co-chairman.”

The tickets were offered at \$25 each to members of Jazz at Lincoln Center’s Facebook page and sold out in minutes.

Jazz at Lincoln Center’s 2009 Fall Gala, *A Celebration of the Music of Frank Sinatra*, on Monday, November 16 features the **Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra** and special guests, GRAMMY® nominated **Michael Feinstein** and multi-award winning singer and actress **Diahann Carroll**, performing chart-topping hits made famous by the incomparable Frank Sinatra.

Proceeds from Jazz at Lincoln Center’s 2009 Fall Gala benefit the thousands of performance, education and broadcast events the organization produces each year.

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