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Audi AFA MSquerade Ball

Magnificent masks. Soaring voices. Sumptuous food. Vibrant gowns. Spectacular acrobatics.

The Association of Financial Advisers (AFA) and the MS Society of Queensland (MSQld) are seeking the State's top movers and shakers to join them at Brisbane's City Hall on Saturday 19th April 2008 to celebrate a night of nights, the Audi AFA MSquerade Ball.

The AFA has had a partnership with MS Research Australia (MSRA) since 2006. A staggering \$130,000 has already been raised by members. A percentage of these funds have been directed to a three year MS research Scholarship which commenced in 2007. The remaining funds, plus those raised in 2008, will be directed to support the national MS Brain Bank.

"The AFA is delighted to partner with MS Research Australia for such an important cause" said Dennis Bateman, National President AFA.

"The AFA have made a fantastic contribution to supporting capacity building in MS research in Australia" commented Jeremy Wright, MS Research Australia.

The MSquerade Ball marks the launch of the "Thanks A Million" campaign. This is an initiative of MSRA and MSQld to raise \$1 million in 2008 to support Queenslanders living with multiple sclerosis (MS) and to fund research into finding a cure for the disease.

Featuring amazing performances from former *Phantom of the Opera* diva Toni Powell, the La Forza Pop Opera and the dynamic Aerial Angels, this premier Brisbane event is guaranteed to be a night of glamour, extravagance and fun whilst raising vital funds for Queenslanders living with MS.

Prominent Brisbane Personality, Ian Skippen will keep the evening running smoothly whilst guests enjoy sumptuous food, raffles and exquisite lucky door draws. The night will finish with guests swaying to the sounds of Brisbane's hottest party band – The Zookeepers.

The night will also feature a live and silent auction that will get hearts pounding, not to mention the excitement of the Audi A4 lottery draw. The winner of this lottery will drive away with a new generation dynamic Audi A4 sedan with a multi ticket prize of a \$20,000 voucher from Bang and Olufsen.

Tickets to the MSquerade Ball are on sale now through the MS Society of Queensland for \$200 per person or corporate tables of 10 for \$2000.

To purchase tickets for the Ball, the Audi lottery, or both, please visit www.thanksamillion.org.au or phone 1800 CURE MS (287 367)

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