

# The Museum of Modern Art

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## THE WILLIAM H. KEARNS FOUNDATION HELPS UNDERWRITE "PAY WHAT YOU WISH" THURSDAY EVENINGS AT THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

Richard E. Oldenburg, director, The Museum of Modern Art, has announced the award of a grant from The William H. Kearns Foundation to help underwrite the cost of the Museum's "pay what you wish" program on Thursday evenings.

Mr. Oldenburg stated, "We are deeply grateful to the William H. Kearns Foundation for this operating assistance. This grant serves a dual public service, making the Museum more accessible both to those who are unable to visit during daytime hours and to others who have difficulty covering the cost of general admission."

The William H. Kearns Foundation, incorporated in 1965, supports charitable, religious, scientific, literary, and educational programs.

Each year, The Museum of Modern Art is visited by an average of 1,500,000 persons. Founded in 1929, it offers a comprehensive survey of the visual arts from 1880 to the present. Its collection includes over 100,000 paintings, sculptures, drawings, prints, photographs, architectural models and plans, and design objects, as well as some 10,000 films and videotapes, 3,000,000 film stills, and a library containing over 80,000 books and periodicals. The Museum presents an active schedule of special exhibitions devoted to the work of individual artists, as well as styles and movements in modern art. A wide variety of lectures, concerts, tours, films, and special programs are also offered.

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Museum hours: 11:00 - 6:00 daily; 11:00 - 8:45 Thursday; closed Wednesday.  
General admission: \$6.00; full-time students with current identification,  
\$3.50; senior citizens, \$3.00; children under sixteen accompanied by an adult,  
free; Thursday, 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., pay what you wish, made possible by the  
William H. Kearns Foundation. For general information, call 212/708-9480.

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