

# The Museum of Modern Art

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## THE PARTY IN THE GARDEN

**WHEN** Wednesday, June 8, 1994  
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

**WHERE** The Museum of Modern Art

**WHAT** **THE PARTY IN THE GARDEN**, a gala tradition at The Museum of Modern Art, marks the beginning of the summer season in The Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Sculpture Garden. This year's party is held in honor of David and Peggy Rockefeller and opens the Museum's major summer exhibition, **Masterpieces from the David and Peggy Rockefeller Collection: Manet to Picasso**. The exhibition features twenty-one works from the Rockefellers' private collection, most of which are promised gifts to the Museum. Among them are magnificent paintings by Cézanne, Gauguin, Matisse, Monet, Picasso, and Seurat.

The black-tie party is a garden fête reminiscent of the 1930s and 1940s, with decor in pastel colors complete with hurricane lamps, hanging lanterns, and roses. This year the Sculpture Garden will be tented so guests can enjoy the open-air setting in the event of rain.

Prior to the party, Sponsors, Benefactors, Patrons, and Contributors will enjoy cocktails and a viewing of the exhibition at 7:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 8:00.

Proceeds from **THE PARTY IN THE GARDEN** benefit the Museum's Annual Fund.

**BENEFIT  
COMMITTEE**

Mercedes and Sid R. Bass; Patty and Gustavo Cisneros; Linda and Robert R. Douglass; Barbara Foshay-Miller and Carl N. Miller III; Agnes Gund and Daniel Shapiro; Howard B. Johnson; Philip Johnson; June and Frank Y. Larkin; Jo Carole and Ronald S. Lauder; Catie and Donald Marron; Charlotte and John Parkinson III; Carroll and Milton Petrie; Diana and David Rockefeller, Jr.; Sascha and Rodman C. Rockefeller; Christie and Richard E. Salomon; Beth and Donald B. Strauss; Jeanne C. Thayer.

- SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE Mrs. Sid R. Bass, Mrs. Ronald S. Lauder, and Jeanne C. Thayer, co-chairmen; Lily Auchincloss, Hilary P. Califano, Louise Eastman Loening, Marlene Hess, Howard B. Johnson, Mrs. Donald B. Marron, James G. Niven, Mrs. Milton Petrie, and Joanne M. Stern
- FOOD Glorious Food will provide an array of summer snacks including California sushi rolls; baked ham with grain mustard; miniature jalepeño biscuits; mushroom and spinach quiches; tortilla chips and salsa; even the traditional hot dogs. Refreshments include margaritas and bellinis.
- FLOWERS Robert Isabell
- MUSIC Doc Scantlin and his Imperial Palms Orchestra, a swing orchestra from Washington, D.C., will play popular music from the 1920s, '30s, and '40s -- complete with chorus girls.
- TICKETS Friends of the Garden: Sponsor, \$10,000 (table of ten); Benefactor, \$2,500 per person; Patron, \$1,000 per person; Contributor, \$500 per person; Fellow, \$150 per person; Junior (individuals thirty and under), \$100 per person

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