

The temporary home of The Frick Collection

Frick Announces Continuing Support for Free Public Events at Frick Madison



New York (August 3, 2023) —The Frick Collection announces continuing support for its popular free public evenings, as Trustee **Karen Z. Gray-Krehbiel** underwrites the remaining programs in the **Open Nights** series. Gathering in popularity over the past year, these community events have been held on a quarterly basis. Program-filled, the evenings are designed by the institution’s Education Department to offer audiences yet another stimulating way to experience Frick Madison, the acclaimed temporary home of the museum and library during the renovation of the institution’s historic buildings. The fall event, scheduled for Friday, September 29, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., is inspired by the exhibition *Barkley L. Hendricks: Portraits at the Frick*.

Comments Ian Wardropper, Anna-Maria and Stephen Kellen Director, “We’ve been so thrilled with the success of this series of seasonal community events. Karen Gray-Krehbiel, a recently elected Trustee, expressed immediate interest in helping us continue their presentation during our final year of residency at Frick Madison. We couldn’t be happier with her generous and impactful contribution.”

Gray-Krehbiel and her husband, John H. Krehbiel Jr., have been members of the Frick since 2016. Over the years they have supported numerous initiatives.



The September evening will feature a variety of programming including:

- Gallery and library talks with ASL interpretation
- Live music performances
- Library collection highlights and resources in the Reading Room
- Sketching in the galleries
- A conversation between the co-organizers of the special exhibition *Barkley L. Hendricks: Portraits at the Frick*, Curator Aimee Ng and Consulting Curator Antwaun Sargent. (This program will be live-streamed with CART captioning.)
- All Frick Madison galleries will be open, displaying highlights of the museum’s permanent collection. Western European works on view date from the Renaissance through early twentieth century and include canvases by Bellini, Bronzino, Fragonard, Gainsborough, Rembrandt, Renoir, Titian, Turner, Vermeer, and more. They are organized chronologically by region, in a presentation that differs from that of the historic Frick mansion, allowing for new insights and unexpected juxtapositions.
- Throughout the evening, visitors can enjoy the Frick’s major fall exhibition *Barkley L. Hendricks: Portraits at the Frick*, as well as a [site-specific mural by artist Nicolas Party](#).
- Complimentary refreshments will be provided by Frick Madison’s in-house café, The SisterYard.

The final **Gray-Krehbiel Open Night** at Frick Madison is planned for Friday, February 2, 2024, and will include after-hours museum and reading room access, gallery talks, library resources, sketching, and live music.

Comments Elizabeth M. Eveillard, Chair of Frick’s Board of Trustees, “It is with great pleasure that we welcomed Karen to the board in December. She has already demonstrated strong leadership experience. Her support of the museum and library’s educational and outreach efforts—particularly her generous underwriting of Open Nights—is exemplary. The timing of her

involvement couldn't be better during this final year of strong programming at Frick Madison, when we are also planning the transition back to our historic home at 1 East 70th Street."

ABOUT THE FRICK COLLECTION AND FRICK MADISON

The historic buildings of The Frick Collection are currently closed for renovation and enhancement, their first comprehensive upgrade since the 1930s. During this project, the collections of the museum and library remain accessible to the public at Frick Madison, the Marcel Breuer–designed building at 945 Madison Avenue and 75th Street that was once the home of the Whitney Museum of American Art and, most recently, The Met Breuer. Now in its final year, the temporary residency ensures that the public can continue to enjoy the Frick's masterpieces, while also giving the museum a unique opportunity to reimagine its presentation of paintings, sculptures, and decorative arts within a completely different context. Frick Madison will remain open through March 3, 2024.

Honoring the institution's architectural legacy and unique character, the renovation plan designed by Selldorf Architects will provide unprecedented access to the original 1914 residence of Henry Clay Frick, while preserving the intimate visitor experience and beloved galleries for which the Frick is known. Conceived to address pressing institutional and programmatic needs, the plan will create new spaces for permanent collection display and special exhibitions, conservation, education, and public programs, while improving visitor amenities and overall accessibility. The Frick Collection will reopen in late 2024.

Image: Attendees enjoy sketching and conversation in the galleries during a recent Open Nights event at Frick Madison; Photo by Cris Sunwoo

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BASIC INFORMATION

Website: frick.org

Building project: frickfuture.org

Bloomberg Connects app: frick.org/app

Frick Madison visitor address: 945 Madison Avenue at 75th Street, New York, NY 10021

Museum hours: Thursday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; closed Monday through Wednesday. See website for holiday schedule.

Admission: Timed tickets are strongly recommended and may be purchased online. \$22 general public; \$17 seniors and visitors with disabilities; \$12 students. Free admission is granted to visitors ages 10–17. Admission is always free for members. Pay-what-you-wish admission is offered Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Please note: Children under ten are not admitted to the museum.

COVID-19/health and safety policies: frick.org/visit/guidelines

Ticket purchase link: frick.org/tickets. For questions: admissions@frick.org

Group reservations: For questions: grouppreservations@frick.org

Public programs: A calendar of online, virtual, and video events is available on our website.

Shop: Open during museum hours as well as online daily.

Refreshments: A light menu, offered by The SisterYard, is available on the lower level during museum hours.

Subway: #6 local to 77th Street station; #Q to 72nd Street station; Bus: M1, M2, M3, and M4 southbound on Fifth Avenue to 75th Street and northbound on Madison Avenue to 74th Street

Museum mailing address: 1 East 70th Street, near Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10021

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Photography: Allowed only in the Frick Madison Lobby.

Reading room: Access is offered by appointment Tuesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For further information, visit frick.org/tickets.

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