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MEDIA ALERT: FRICK OPENS FIRST NEW GALLERY IN NEARLY 35 YEARS



Interior view of the new Portico Gallery, The Frick Collection, New York (project architect: Davis Brody Bond); photo: Michael Bodycomb

The Frick Collection has just opened a new gallery—the first major addition to the museum in nearly thirty-five years. Located on the Fifth Avenue side of the historic mansion, it was created by enclosing a covered garden portico. The Portico Gallery made its debut this week with an exhibition of early Meissen porcelain from The Arnhold Collection, selections from a promised gift. Also on view are two works by the French Enlightenment sculptor Jean-Antoine Houdon (1740–1828). His masterpiece *Diana the Huntress* has returned to view after a two-year absence during which time the life-sized terracotta was conserved and cleaned. This

iconic Frick work now finds a glorious new home in the Portico Gallery and is visible for the first time not just to the Frick's visitors but to those outside the museum on Fifth Avenue.

New photography of the gallery is available to journalists through the media relations department. To view an illustrated list of those images, follow the link that accompanies this posting.

FULL PRESS RELEASE

VIEW A VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE NEW PORTICO GALLERY

BASIC INFORMATION

General Information Phone: 212. 288.0700

Web site: www.frick.org
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Where: 1 East 70th Street, near Fifth Avenue.

Hours: open six days a week: 10am to 6pm on Tuesdays through Saturdays; 11am to 5pm on Sundays. Closed Mondays, New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day. Limited hours (11am to 5pm) on Lincoln's Birthday,

Election Day, and Veterans Day.

Admission: \$18; senior citizens \$15; students \$10; "pay as you wish" on Sundays from 11am to 1pm

PLEASE NOTE TO YOUR READERS: Children under ten are not admitted to the Collection.

Subway: #6 local (on Lexington Avenue) to 68th Street station; **Bus:** M1, M2, M3, and M4 southbound on Fifth Avenue to 72nd Street and northbound on Madison Avenue to 70th Street

Tour Information: included in the price of admission is an Acoustiguide Audio Tour of the permanent collection. The tour is offered in six languages: English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, and Spanish.

Museum Shop: the shop is open the same days as the Museum, closing fifteen minutes before the institution.

Group Visits: Please call 212.288.0700 for details and to make reservations.

Public Programs: A calendar of events is published regularly and is available upon request.

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