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Flagler Museum Announces 2018 / 2019 Season Programs

PALM BEACH, FL - The Flagler Museum continues to provide the community with unique experiences and learning opportunities during the 2018/2019 Season. Please include the following events and dates in your calendars.

Special Lecture *Florida Made: The 25 Most Important Figures Who Shaped Florida* by George S. LeMieux and Laura E. Mize 3:00 pm, Sunday, October 14 \$25

In collaboration with The LeMieux Center for Public Policy at Palm Beach Atlantic University, the Flagler Museum presents a book talk, signing, and reception with Senator George S. LeMieux and co-author Laura E. Mize, to celebrate the launch of their recent book titled Florida Made: The 25 Most Important Figures Who Shaped the State. Henry Flagler is the subject of the first chapter. The authors, former U.S. Senator George LeMieux and journalist Laura E. Mize, will talk about Flagler and other famous figures during a presentation at the Flagler Museum on Sunday, October 14, at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$25 per person, which includes a post-talk reception.

Fall Exhibition:

Star Power: Edward Steichen's Glamour Photography October 16, 2018 – January 6, 2019 Included with Museum admission

The Flagler Museum will launch its 2018 – 2019 "Season of Style" with *Star Power: Edward Steichen's Glamour Photography*, an exhibition of more than 80 dramatic black and white portraits of celebrities and fashion models from the 1920s and 30s by Edward Steichen (1879-1973), one of the most prolific and influential figures in the history of photography.

In 1923 Steichen, already a famous painter and fine art photographer, was offered the prestigious position of chief photographer for *Vogue* and *Vanity Fair*, the influential fashion and society magazines published in New York by Condé Nast. Throughout his fifteen years at the magazines Steichen produced some of the most striking creations of twentieth-century photography,

showcasing the culture of that era and its most prominent stars from the realms of literature, journalism, dance, sport, politics, theatre, and film. In addition to stunning fashion photographs from Worth and Poiret to Chanel and Schiaparelli, Steichen created bold and engaging portraits of Greta Garbo, Marlene Dietrich, George Gershwin, Walt Disney, and hundreds of other celebrities. Since the 1930s, however, few of these prints have been exhibited or published.

Organized by the Foundation for the Exhibition of Photography, Minneapolis / New York City / Paris / Lausanne, in collaboration with the Flagler Museum, *Star Power* features more than 80 stunning celebrity portraits and fashion photographs in vintage prints, nearly all taken for Condé Nast magazines. Lenders to the exhibition are Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art, Northwestern University; George Eastman Museum; Los Angeles County Museum of Art; and Whitney Museum of American Art, New York.

Guided exhibition tours will be offered Wednesdays at 12:00 pm, beginning October 24. The exhibition and tours are free with Museum admission.

A lavishly illustrated companion volume, *Edward Steichen: In High Fashion, The Condé Nast Years, 1923 – 1937*, is available in the Museum Store. This stunning work, published by the Foundation for the Exhibition of Photography, documents the seminal period in Steichen's career.

The Fall Exhibition is sponsored in part by The Eliasberg Family Foundation, Templeton & Company, the Hilton West Palm Beach, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the Tourist Development Council, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, and Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.

Star Power Lecture Series

\$35 for each lecture, \$60 for the Series of two lectures Space is limited, reservations are required.

In the Days of Chic: The Early Days of Glamour Photography with Edward Steichen

Nathalie Herschdorfer, exhibition curator and director of the Museum of Fine Arts, Le Locle, Switzerland

3:00 pm on Thursday, November 15, 2018. Museum admission is included.

In the 1920s, publisher Condé Nast set out to educate public tastes by defining the identity and style of the modern woman through his magazines *Vogue* and *Vanity Fair*. From 1923 to 1937, photographer Edward Steichen merged fashion and society photography in his work for the publications. Stars of the silver screen slowly replaced the anonymous models of the magazine's earlier fashion shots. Clara Bow, Lillian Gish, Pola Negri, Mary Pickford, and Gloria Swanson all came to embody the idea of chic. These new fashion house ambassadors promoted a lifestyle defined by elegance, beauty, and leisure, thus fueling the dreams of countless female readers.

Selling Celebrity: Edward Steichen's Portrait Revolution

Scott Eyman, best-selling author and critic 6:00 pm on Thursday, November 29, 2018

Edward Steichen's glamorous portraits were carefully designed to appeal to the elite audience of Condé Nast's magazines. Hollywood photographers either depicted movie stars in character, or in supposedly relaxed, at-home candids. Conventional ideas of glamour were almost always in force. Steichen, who usually worked in New York, was free to invent alternate personas, or to photograph his subjects as he saw them, irrespective of their screen image. Through the enormous popularity of these images Steichen arguably became the first example of the photographer as celebrity, and his magazine work changed photographic portraiture forever.

A Gilded Age style Afternoon Tea in Café des Beaux-Arts

November 23, 2018 – April 21, 2019 Tuesday – Saturday, 11:30 am - 2:30 pm Sunday, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm \$22 for Members \$40 for non-members includes Museum admission All prices include tax and gratuity Advance purchase recommended

Each afternoon the Flagler Museum offers a Gilded Age style afternoon tea that features an array of delicacies and refreshments reminiscent of the elegance of entertaining during the Gilded Age. Visitors may enjoy a selection of gourmet tea sandwiches, traditional scones, and sweets complemented by the Flagler Museum's own Whitehall Special BlendTM tea, and served on exquisite Whitehall CollectionTM china. Café des Beaux-Arts is located in the beautiful Flagler Kenan Pavilion, and provides guests with spectacular panoramic views of scenic Lake Worth and the West Palm Beach skyline. Henry Flagler's private Railcar No. 91 completes the sophisticated Gilded Age ambiance.

Member Appreciation Days

November 23 – December 2, 2018

The Flagler Museum appreciates the continued support from its many Members, and would like to say "Thank you" by hosting Member Appreciation Days. Members will receive an additional 10% discount in the Museum Store on top of the current 10% Member discount, for a total of 20% off all Museum Store purchases. Members can also enjoy a Gilded Age style lunch in Cafe des Beaux-Arts for a reduced rate of \$20.

Special Holiday Lecture Dickens & Twain: The Yuletide Writings and Traditions of the World's Greatest Writers Carlo DeVito 2:00 pm on December 2, 2018 Free for Members at the Sustaining level and above \$10 for Individual, Family & Life Members \$28 for non-members; includes Museum admission and Tree Lighting festivities

Borrowing from the most festive holiday moments in their writings and personal memoirs, this lecture will explore the impetus of holiday scene-setting and personal family traditions in the lives of Charles Dickens and Mark Twain. Hear Carlo DeVito, accomplished author, editor, and publisher, tell how the beloved Cratchet family and other characters featured in the 1843 novel *A Christmas Carol* were inspired by the people in Dickens' real life. DeVito will include in this discussion the many heart-warming Christmas traditions embraced by literary legend, Mark Twain, whose life was on many occasions anchored to the celebration of Christmas, up until the gut-wrenching way he spent his last holiday in Hartford.

The Holiday Lecture is sponsored by BMO Private Bank, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the Tourist Development Council, and Hilton West Palm Beach.

Christmas Tree Lighting

3:00 - 5:00 pm , December 2, 2018 Free with Museum admission

The 16-foot tall Grand Hall Christmas Tree, with its historically accurate trimmings, is the center of Whitehall's holiday celebrations. The Tree Lighting festivities include holiday music played on Whitehall's original 1,249-pipe Odell organ and the 1902 Steinway art-case grand piano. This annual performance is the only opportunity visitors have to hear both of Whitehall's majestic instruments. Special choir performances, refreshments and a visit from Santa Claus complete the afternoon's activities. The event culminates with Henry Flagler's youngest descendants lighting the Grand Hall Christmas Tree. Each visitor will receive a box of Animal Crackers, a treat invented in the Gilded Age. The iconic circus box was originally designed as a Christmas Tree ornament.

The Christmas Tree Lighting is sponsored by the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council.

Holiday Evening Tours

December 19 and 20: Tours begin at 6:45 pm, 7:00 pm and 7:15 pm December 21 through 23: Tours begin at 6:45 pm, 7:00 pm, 7:15 pm and 7:30 pm Holiday Reception begins at 6:30 pm \$25 for adults \$15 for children ages 17 and under Advance purchase required

During this beloved annual event, families tour Whitehall after hours and discover the origins of American Christmas traditions. Guests will have a rare opportunity to see Whitehall by the glow of the original 1902 light fixtures. Every visitor will receive a traditional Christmas cracker

following the tour. A choral group will sing carols and holiday refreshments will be served. The Museum Store will remain open for holiday shopping.

Holiday Evening Tours are sponsored by the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council.

Flagler Museum Music Series

All concerts begin at 7:30 pm Tickets are \$70 per concert \$300 for the five-concert Series

Regularly featured on National Public Radio, the Flagler Museum Music Series continues to bring acclaimed musicians to the finest chamber music venue in South Florida. Experience chamber music, as it was intended, in a gracious and intimate setting typical of Gilded Age performances. Patrons enjoy a special champagne and dessert reception with the musicians following the concert.

- 1. January 8, 2019 Delphi Trio
- 2. January 22, 2019 The Mesa-Yakushev Duo
- 3. February 5, 2019 Gryphon Trio
- 4. February 19, 2019 Akropolis Reed Quintet
- 5. March 5, 2019 Thalea String Quartet

The Flagler Museum Music Series is sponsored by Roe Green, the *Palm Beach Daily News*, the MBS Family Foundation, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the Tourist Development Council.

Whitehall Lecture Series *The Last Days of the Gilded Age: A Historical Review of the Gilded Age and What Came Next*

All lectures begin at 3:00 pm Free for Members at the Sustaining level and above \$10 for Individual, Family and Life Members \$28 per lecture for non-members \$125 for the five-lecture series Includes Museum admission

The 34th Annual Whitehall Lecture Series, *The Last Days of the Gilded Age: A Historical Review of the Gilded Age and What Came Next*, presented each Sunday afternoon from February

3 to March 3, will set the stage to eulogize the Gilded Age as the golden era of booming economy, rapid scientific and technological advancement, and strict social etiquette for some, and introduce the dawn of the Progressive Era, defined by years of push for social and political reform and cultural change. As the Series progresses, audiences will hear from leading scholars in the areas of politics, social history, and the 1929 economic event that ended the era with a resounding crash.

When possible, a book signing with the speaker follows each lecture. Online visitors can experience each lecture via a free livestream broadcast at www.flaglermuseum.us, where visitors may listen live, see the presentation, and ask the lecturer questions.

- 1. February 3, 2019 Jamie Pietruska Living in the "Economic-Chance World" - Capitalism and Culture in the Gilded Age
- 2. February 10, 2019 Jeff Johnson Reforming America: Defining the Challenges of the Progressive Era
- 3. February 17, 2019 David Pietrusza 1920: The Year of the Six Presidents
- 4. February 24, 2019 Erica Ryan When the World Broke in Two: The Roaring Twenties and the Reshaping of American Culture
- 5. March 3, 2019 Maury Klein Rainbow's End: The Crash of 1929

The Whitehall Lecture Series is sponsored by the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council, Hilton West Palm Beach, the State of Florida Division of Cultural Affairs and *The Palm Beach Post*.

Winter Exhibition Maker & Muse: Women and Early Twentieth Century Art Jewelry January 29 - May 26, 2019 Free with Museum admission

Our "Season of Style" continues with a stunning exhibition of more than 200 unique pieces of handcrafted art jewelry that celebrate the role of women, both as inspiration and as designers/makers. Featuring exquisite works by renowned artists such as Louis Comfort Tiffany, Charlotte Newman, and René Lalique, *Maker & Muse* celebrates the impact of women on art jewelry across five regions: Great Britain, France, Austro-Germany, New York, and Chicago. These areas saw the emergence of bold, experimental artists who pushed the boundaries of traditional jewelry design.

Maker & Muse: Women and Early Twentieth Century Art Jewelry was organized by the Richard H. Driehaus Museum and is toured by International Arts & Artists, Washington, DC.

Guided exhibition tours will be offered Wednesdays at 12:00 pm beginning February 6, 2019. A beautifully illustrated catalogue accompanies the exhibition, available in the Museum Store.

The Winter Exhibition is sponsored by Northern Trust, the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation, VISIT FLORIDA, *The Palm Beach Post*, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the Tourist Development Council, Hilton West Palm Beach, and the State of Florida Division of Cultural Affairs.

In conjunction with the Winter Exhibition the Flagler Museum will present a special lecture:

Maker & Muse: Women and Early Twentieth Century Art Jewelry

by Elyse Zorn Karlin, jewelry historian, exhibition curator, and catalogue co-author 3:00 pm, Thursday, March 14 Admission is free Space is limited, reservations required

In the early decades of the twentieth century, jewelry makers in Great Britain, on the Continent, and in the United States created alternative styles to mainstream jewelry. In some countries, women became jewelry designers and fabricators in their own right – in others, they became the jewelry artist's muse. Ms. Karlin will provide an overview of the exhibition and discuss the impact of women on the art jewelry movement. A catalogue signing will follow the lecture. Funded by The Richard H. Driehaus Foundation.

Celebrate Valentine's Day at Whitehall

11:30 am – 3:30 pm, February 14, 2019,
\$40 for each Museum Member, includes tax and gratuity
\$60 for each non-member, includes Museum admission, tax and gratuity
Advance purchase required

'Tea in the Cocoanut Grove' was a popular vacationing pastime for those visiting Palm Beach and Henry Flagler's lavish resort hotels during the Gilded Age. Join us in commemorating the return of this historic tradition with your sweetheart on Valentine's Day. Each couple will indulge in a special 'tea-for-two' under the palms, while listening to the romantic sounds of a classical harp. A token Valentine's keepsake is also included.

Women of the Gilded Age Lecture: Jane Addams: Spirit In Action by Louise W. Knight 6:00 pm, Thursday, February 28, 2019 Free for Sustaining-level Members and above \$10 for Individual and Family-level Members\$20 for Non-membersAdvance purchase required

Even today, Jane Addams is remembered as a key figure in social and political reform during the Gilded Age. In rebellion against her privileged upbringing, she moved at age 29 to the heavily industrialized Near West Side of Chicago, where an immigrant community struggled to keep poverty at bay. There Addams co-founded the nation's first settlement house, Hull House, in 1889. Neighbors – adults and children – soon told her of the harsh working conditions and low pay they endured in factory work. Corrupt local government led to poor garbage services that Addams and other women could do little to improve without the vote. Learning from these experiences, Jane Addams emerged as a national leader of such progressive reforms as child labor, women's suffrage, and, as war broke out, world peace. In 1931 she became the first American woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Knight will share stories of these achievements to illustrate Addams's concept of democratic citizenship.

Bluegrass in the Pavilion Concert

3:00 pm on April 6, 2019 Tickets \$35

The 14th Annual Bluegrass in the Pavilion concert will see the return of Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver to the Flagler Museum, along with Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper, for an unforgettable afternoon of bluegrass music.

With nearly 40 albums to their credit, Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver have multiple Grammy, Dove, ICM, IBMA and SPBGMA Award nominations, and are 7-time winners of IBMA's Vocal Group of the Year.

Michael Cleveland is IBMA's most awarded Fiddle Player of the Year with 10 wins. He has won Instrumental Recorded Performance of the Year six times, and fronts their 5-Time Instrumental Group of the Year. Together with Flamekeeper members Josh Richards (guitar), Nathan Livers (mandolin), Jasiah Shrode (banjo) and Tyler Griffith (bass), Cleveland makes his way around the country performing festivals, clubs, and performing arts centers, delighting audiences, leaving them with jaws dropped in complete amazement.

All proceeds benefit the Museum's education programs for children.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 20, 2019 Gates open 9:00 am Hunt begins at 10:00 am \$18 for adults \$15 for children Free for Members (and their children or grandchildren) at the Sustaining level and above Free for Adult, Individual, Family, and Life Members (children or grandchildren require a ticket)

Children are invited to hunt for treat-filled Easter eggs on the Museum's lawn and Cocoanut Grove. The Museum's grounds will be sectioned off into age-appropriate areas so that everyone, including toddlers, will have the opportunity to participate safely. Museum gates open at 9:00 a.m. Children and families are encouraged to post for a photo with the Easter Bunny, make crafts, have faces painted, and play games until the Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:00 a.m.

Children should bring their own Easter basket. Each child will receive a commemorative wooden Easter Egg to remember the day.

The Easter Egg Hunt is sponsored by the *Palm Beach Daily News*, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council.

Whitehall Society - Mixing It Up cocktail party

6:30 p.m. on April 26, 2019Free for Whitehall Society Members\$40 for Flagler Museum Members\$50 for Non-members

Join the Whitehall Society in bidding farewell to the "Season of Style." Mixing It Up is presented by the Whitehall Society to expand its reach to potential members, generate funds to support children's programming, and celebrate cocktail culture in a unique setting. The evening is sure to impress and delight with live entertainment, festive food and drink, and an unbeatable social atmosphere.

Mother's Day Tea

11:30 am - 2:30 pm on May 11, 2019 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm on May 12, 2019

\$30 Museum Members
\$50 Non-member
\$20 Children under age 12
Includes Museum admission, tax and gratuity
Reservations are required

The celebration of Mother's Day began during the Gilded Age, when in May, 1914, Congress established it as a National Holiday. In the spirit of this tradition, the Flagler Museum invites all Mothers and their families to enjoy an elegant Mother's Day Tea at the Café des Beaux-Arts. In honor of Mother's Day, each mother will receive a special flower corsage.

Founder's Day 12:00 noon - 5:00 pm (Please note the 12 noon opening time) June 5, 2019 Free admission

On June 5, 2019, the Flagler Museum celebrates the 60th anniversary of its founding! The Museum will be open to the public free of charge in honor of the Museum's founder, and Henry Flagler's granddaughter, Jean Flagler Matthews. Visitors may take a self-guided tour of Whitehall's first floor, view the permanent collection of art and objects related to the Gilded Age, and climb aboard Henry Flagler's Railcar No. 91 in the Flagler Kenan Pavilion.

Founder's Day is sponsored by *The Palm Beach Post*, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council.

Grandparents Day

3:00 - 5:00 pm September 8, 2019 Free with Museum admission

Families may tour Whitehall with a *Tour and Activity Guide for Kids* and then enjoy familyfriendly activities in the Flagler Kenan Pavilion. Activities include creating a family tree, creating a scrapbook page to commemorate the day, being interviewed by your grandchild, writing a postcard to send to your family and having a family photo taken in front of Railcar No. 91.

Grandparents Day is sponsored by the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and the Tourist Development Council.

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When it was completed in 1902, Whitehall, Henry Flagler's Gilded Age estate in Palm Beach, was hailed by the *New York Herald* as "more wonderful than any palace in Europe, grander and more magnificent than any other private dwelling in the world." Today, Whitehall is a National Historic Landmark and is open to the public as the Flagler Museum, featuring guided tours, changing exhibits, and special programs. The Museum is located at Cocoanut Row and Whitehall Way, Palm Beach.

The Museum is open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$18 for adults, \$10 for youth ages 13-17, \$3 for children ages 6-12, and children under six are free.

For more information, please call the Flagler Museum at (561) 655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

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