



THE WALTERS GALA & PARTY

Saturday, October 24, 2026

One of Baltimore's most anticipated arts and culture events, the annual Gala & Party is an extraordinary celebration of community, cultural leadership, and the transformative impact of the Walters Art Museum.

Over 500 Baltimore leaders, community partners, and arts supporters gather each year in spectacular museum spaces to enjoy stories of art and impact alongside exquisite culinary creations and lively entertainment. Gala sponsors contribute vital support to free admission, expanded education programs, dynamic exhibitions and programming, and industry-leading conservation efforts—sustaining the museum as a cornerstone of the region's arts community and a vibrant space for inspiration and creativity.

6 p.m. to midnight **THE GALA EVENING**

Beginning at 6 p.m., Gala guests enjoy a sparkling cocktail hour before dining at intimate tables nestled amidst the splendor of the museum's galleries. Following dinner, the Party kicks off at 9 p.m., capping off an incredible evening with dancing, specially designed lounges, and pop-ups from Baltimore favorites.

8 p.m. to midnight **THE VIP PARTY** *New this year!*

At this brand-new addition to the Gala evening, VIP Party guests enjoy 8 p.m. entry for a curated experience of exclusive culinary offerings and entertainment, alongside expanded pop-ups from Baltimore favorites before the Party kicks off at 9 p.m.

9 p.m. to midnight **THE PARTY**

Beginning at 9 p.m., Party guests enjoy energized museum spaces featuring specially designed lounges, open galleries, dancing, late-night bites, and pop-ups from Baltimore favorites.

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THE GALA WITH IMPACT

Your support as a Gala sponsor furthers the Walters' work to create a place where people of every background can connect to art and to each other. The museum's collection offers incredible and accessible opportunities for inspiration and exploration, and important connections to our larger world. Through the gala, sponsors sustain the Walters' commitment to **free admission to all**—to the museum, its special exhibitions, and dynamic programming.



FOSTERING COMMUNITY & CREATIVITY

Like this year's inaugural Block Party curated by three dynamic community advisors, interactive programs and festivals make the museum a vibrant space for community and discovery. Visitors of all ages and abilities explore, create, and connect, engaging with Baltimore's boundless creativity and centuries of art and history.



ENGAGING SCHOOL PROGRAMS & TOURS

Over 10,000 Maryland K-12 students explored the museum on free field trips last school year, reimagined with interactive activity carts and touch materials for expanded learning. Along with career panels and teen programs, school visits invest in the next generation, a vital part of the museum's commitment to education and lifelong learning.



A PLACE FOR ALL

Over 125,000 people visited the museum in the last year, finding a space for discovery, creativity, and community in our vibrant and diverse city. With centuries of history and contemporary works by world-class artists, the museum continues to make its collection, buildings, galleries, programs, and online resources accessible for everyone.

VISITORS ARE SAYING

"Amazing visit. What a gem of a collection! And wonderful integration of contemporary art and some local artists throughout."

"Wonderful museum space that really allows for exploration + discussion!"

"Very thankful that this amazing museum is in Baltimore... keeping history and the arts and growth of knowledge alive."

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THE GALA EVENING

\$50,000 PRESENTING SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$43,700

Enjoy bespoke branding opportunities, exclusive recognition as Presenting Sponsor across all forms of recognition listed, and invitations to tailored museum partner experiences, in addition to:

- 2 dinner tables of 8 in a prominent location
- 10 tickets to the VIP Party
- Inclusion in social media post to 38K+ followers
- Prominent logo recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Prominent recognition on event invitation*
- Prominent print and digital recognition at the event

\$25,000 PLATINUM SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$20,800

- Dinner table of 10 in a prominent location
- 8 tickets to the VIP Party
- Inclusion in social media post to 38K+ followers
- Prominent logo recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Prominent recognition on event invitation*
- Prominent print and digital recognition at the event

\$16,000 GOLD SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$13,000

- Dinner table of 10
- Logo recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Recognition on event invitation*

\$12,000 SILVER SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$9,600

- Dinner table of 8
- Recognition on event invitation*

\$9,000 SAPPHIRE SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$7,200

- Dinner table of 6
- Recognition on event invitation*

\$6,000 BRONZE SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$4,800

- Dinner table of 4
- Recognition on event invitation*

\$3,000 AMETHYST SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$2,400

- 2 Dinner tickets

All sponsors receive, in addition to the benefits listed above:

- Recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Print and digital recognition at the event

DINNER TICKETS \$550 early-bird on sale August 5 / \$600 regular starting September 25

Tax-deductible contribution of \$250 / \$300

All dinner tickets include 6 p.m. entry and access to the cocktail hour, dinner, and the Party.

To confirm your sponsorship or with any questions, please contact Elaina Penney,
Manager of Special Events & Sponsorships, at evening@thewalters.org or 410-547-9000 ext. 212.

*Sponsorship must be confirmed by Wednesday, August 5, to be listed on the event invitation.

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THE VIP PARTY *New this year!*

\$35,000 RHODIUM SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$31,400

Enjoy bespoke branding and exclusive recognition opportunities at the VIP Party, in addition to:

- 20 VIP party tickets with 8 p.m. entry
- 2 dinner tickets with prominent seating and 6 p.m. entry
- Inclusion in social media post to 38K+ followers
- Prominent logo recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Prominent recognition on event invitation*
- Prominent print and digital recognition at the event

\$10,000 RUBY SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$7,900

- 10 VIP Party tickets with 8 p.m. entry
- 2 dinner tickets with 6 p.m. entry

\$4,000 OPAL SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$3,100

- 6 VIP Party tickets with 8 p.m. entry

All VIP Party sponsors receive, in addition to the benefits listed above:

- Recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Recognition on event invitation*
- Print and digital recognition at the event

VIP PARTY TICKETS \$300 early-bird on sale August 5 / \$350 regular starting September 25

Tax-deductible contribution of \$150 / \$200

All VIP Party tickets include 8 p.m. entry and access to the Party.

THE PARTY

\$1,500 GARNET SPONSOR

Tax-deductible contribution of \$900

- 6 Party tickets with 9 p.m. entry
- Recognition on the website and in event emails to 12K+ households
- Print and digital recognition at the event

PARTY TICKETS \$150 early-bird on sale August 5 / \$200 regular starting September 25

Tax-deductible contribution of \$50 / \$100

All Party tickets include 9 p.m. entry.

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The Walters Gala & Party is a 21+ event. Tickets and sponsorships are non-refundable.

Table sizes are specific to sponsorship levels; additional tickets purchased may be seated elsewhere.

For up-to-date event, health and safety, and accessibility information, please visit thewalters.org/gala. If modifications to the event format are made, benefits and fair market value may change.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

SPONSORSHIP SELECTION

- Gala Evening**
- ☐ \$50,000 Presenting Sponsor
 - ☐ \$25,000 Platinum Sponsor
 - ☐ \$16,000 Gold Sponsor
 - ☐ \$12,000 Silver Sponsor
 - ☐ \$9,000 Sapphire Sponsor
 - ☐ \$6,000 Bronze Sponsor
 - ☐ \$3,000 Amethyst Sponsor

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- VIP Party**
- ☐ \$35,000 Rhodium Sponsor
 - ☐ \$10,000 Ruby Sponsor
 - ☐ \$4,000 Opal Sponsor

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- Party**
- ☐ \$1,500 Garnet Sponsor

RESPONSE OPTIONS

1. Make your gift online at thewalters.org/gala
2. Complete this form and email to evening@thewalters.org
3. Complete this form and mail to:
The Walters Art Museum
Attn: Development
600 North Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

- ☐ I/We can't attend. Instead, I/we wish to make a fully tax-deductible donation of _____ to the Walters Art Museum

Name for recognition on gala materials: _____

Contact Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- ☐ Please send an invoice (Payment due by Friday, October 2)
- ☐ Please provide ACH, stock, or other fund transfer details[†]
- ☐ A check payable to the Walters Art Museum is enclosed

For payments by credit card (available for sponsorships up to \$12,000), please visit thewalters.org/gala

For pledges, pledge payments, or to purchase a split sponsorship, please call Walters Development staff at 410-547-9000 ext. 283

Thank you! For more information, please contact Elaina Penney, Manager of Special Events & Sponsorships, by email at evening@thewalters.org or by phone at 410-547-9000 ext. 212.

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[†]For funds or foundations, please contact your tax advisor or donor-advised fund (DAF) holder for more information before purchasing a sponsorship or tickets. Many funds or foundations do not allow for receipt of non-deductible benefits.