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AUXILIARY BOARD OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO  
CONTRIBUTES MORE THAN $1 MILLION TO SUPPORT EXHIBITIONS

The Auxiliary Board of the Art Institute of Chicago is pleased to announce that the organization has contributed more than $1 million over the past five years to support exhibitions at the museum.

Founded in 1973, the Auxiliary Board is the oldest board of its kind in the country. Made up of approximately 60 professional men and women, it supports curatorial departments and exhibitions with a concentrated focus on family education and community outreach initiatives. The most public of the board’s efforts is the annual Holiday Treasure Hunt and Tea Party, which was started by former Chicago first lady Maggie Daley in 1981, during her tenure on the board. This year’s event will take place on Dec. 7, 2014, in the museum’s Modern Wing.

“It is an honor to support the Art Institute of Chicago, one of the city’s greatest treasures,” said Auxiliary Board President Dustin O’Regan. “It is also incredibly gratifying for our Board to see how our funds are used to enhance these exhibitions and, thereby, the visitor experience. We are thrilled to have reached this milestone of $1,000,000 in exhibition support since 2010.”

Douglas Druick, President and Eloise W. Martin Director of the Art Institute, noted: “The Auxiliary Board has been a strong partner with the Art Institute over the past four decades. The museum recently was recognized as the No. 1 museum in the world by TripAdvisor.com based, in large part, on the experiences of our visitors. The support from the Auxiliary Board helps us enhance the visitor experience and we are deeply grateful for their enlightened support.”
Among the board’s proudest achievements is the commission of Marc Chagall’s beloved America Windows in 1977. In 2010, the board underwrote extensive restoration work needed when the windows were installed in a new gallery dedicated to the legacy of public art in Chicago. Through the years, the board’s contributions to the museum have also included the creation of an endowed architectural lecture series and significant financial support of the construction of the museum’s Modern Wing. More recently, the board has been the Lead Affiliate Sponsor for the exhibitions Picasso and Chicago, Impressionism, Fashion, and Modernity and Magritte: The Mystery of the Ordinary, 1926-1938, as well as the upcoming exhibition David Adjaye, scheduled to open September 19, 2015.

“The support of the Auxiliary Board brings a lot of cachet to an exhibition,” said Zoë Ryan, John H. Bryan Chair and Curator of Architecture and Design at the Art Institute and organizer of David Adjaye. “I am delighted by the board’s contribution to making this an extraordinary presentation of the work of this dynamic, award-winning architect.”

The Auxiliary Board of the Art Institute of Chicago prides itself in helping to usher new, young, and diverse audiences into the Art Institute while contributing to the museum’s mission by addressing its most important funding needs.


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The Holiday Treasure Hunt and Tea Party

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