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Art Aboard!
Bruce Museum collaborates with SeaFair
in Inaugural Art Extravaganza
Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Drive, Greenwich, CT



SeaFair debuts in Greenwich in September 2007

The Bruce Museum is collaborating with SeaFair, the world's first fine art exposition mega-yacht, as the ship begins its international debut this fall in Greenwich, Connecticut. The inaugural tour of SeaFair will commence in Greenwich Harbor at the Delamar Hotel dock, on Tuesday, September 25, 2007, with a private black-tie dinner gala and will continue on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, with the "Art Aboard!" Cocktail Party. Both nights feature catering by the famous White House Chef Walter Scheib, chef for Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush and author of the book *The American Chef*. Both events will underwrite education and public programs at the Bruce Museum. Each year a diverse audience of more than 18,000 young children and their families participate in education programs including school group visits, after-school programming, school vacation week workshops, outreach programming, and multi-generational family day activities.

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Chairing both evenings are Leah and Bob Rukeyser and Carol and George Crapple. Vice Chairs are Deborah and Chuck Royce. Both evenings are being sponsored by Newman's Own Foundation. Other sponsors are expected to be announced soon. The "Art Aboard!" Cocktail Party runs from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on September 26. Dress is "Cocktail Chic." Tickets are limited and begin at \$250 and \$500 per person; Angels at the \$750 level are invited to attend the early "Art Aboard!" Preview Reception from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. For information and tickets to either event, call (203) 869-6786, ext. 317, or email lhopper@brucemuseum.org.

SeaFair's Grand Luxe, a 228-foot mega-yacht, will carry fine art and antiques from a revolving array of 28 highly respected international galleries. With over 12,500 square feet of museum-quality exhibit space, SeaFair offers a signature gourmet restaurant, sky deck bistro, open-air champagne and caviar lounge and international coffee bar. For more information on SeaFair, please visit www.expoships.com.

SeaFair's inaugural week coincides with the opening of the Bruce Museum's exhibition ***Pleasures of Collecting III: Contemporary and Cutting Edge***, the Museum's major fall/winter exhibition and the third in a series honoring local collectors. This exhibition gathers together some of the finest examples of modern and contemporary art held by collectors in the Fairfield County and Westchester County region. Works by modern masters including Louise Bourgeois, Roy Lichtenstein, Alex Katz, and Andy Warhol are expected to be on view along with art by newly minted stars of the contemporary scene such as Vanessa Beecroft, Marc Quinn, and E.V. Day. The exhibition is sponsored by the Charles M. and Deborah G. Royce Exhibition Fund.

The Bruce Museum is located at 1 Museum Drive in Greenwich, Connecticut. General admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors and students, and free for children under five and Bruce Museum members. Free admission to all on Tuesdays. The Museum is located near Interstate-95, Exit 3, and a short walk from the Greenwich, CT, train station. Museum hours are: Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and closed Mondays and major holidays. Groups of eight or more require advance reservations. Museum exhibition tours are held Fridays at 12:30 p.m. Free, on-site parking is available. The Bruce Museum is accessible to individuals with disabilities. For information, call the Bruce Museum at (203) 869-0376, or visit the Bruce Museum website at www.brucemuseum.org.