

# Biggs Museum of American Art

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## Biggs Museum Seeks 2010 Gala Committee Members Community invited to January 20, 2010 *Kick-Off Dessert Party*



**Dover, DE** – The date is set for May 15, 2010 and the countdown is ready to begin for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Biggs Museum Gala: *An Affair with the Arts*. The Biggs Museum Staff, Board of Trustees and 2010 Honorary Chairs, Dr. and Mrs. Michael Mattern, invite all enthusiastic individuals looking to support the expansion of arts in the community to join the 2010 Gala Committee. The efforts of the committee, coupled with the support of local and regional businesses, sponsors and donors make the annual fundraising event a success.

**All those interested are invited to attend the 2010 Gala Kick-Off Party to be held in the Museum Wednesday, January 20, beginning at 6:00 PM.** Learn about the exciting changes to the event this year, meet fellow committee members, brainstorm ideas, join a sub-committee and enjoy a sweet treat or two at the Kick-Off Party! A variety of volunteer and sub-committee opportunities are available to Gala Committee members with different interests and time availabilities. The 2010 Honorary Chairs, Jane and Michael Mattern, and the Biggs Museum Staff will be available at the Kick-Off for any questions, suggestions or feedback you might have as a Gala Committee member. If you would like to learn more about the Biggs Museum Gala or RSVP to the Gala Committee Kick-Off Party, please contact Sarah DiMondi at (302)674-2111 ext. 105 or [sdimondi@biggsmuseum.org](mailto:sdimondi@biggsmuseum.org)

### **About the Biggs Museum Gala**

Exciting changes are planned for the 2010 Biggs Museum Gala. As the Museum expands to include the first floor at 406 Federal Street in January 2010, the Museum will increase in size by over 7,500 square feet. To celebrate and commemorate the Museum's growth

and expansion, the tented event location will be shifted from Legislative Mall to across the street to the Museum building. The 2010 Gala will include a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Governor's Office and other dignitaries. The Sixth Annual Biggs Museum Gala will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Proceeds from the Biggs Museum Gala directly support preservation of the Permanent Collection and the growth and development of Temporary Exhibitions and youth and adult educational programming. Over 400 friends of the Biggs Museum attend its largest annual fundraiser, the Biggs Museum Gala, to celebrate the arts and their impact on our culture, all the while enjoying delectable fare and cocktails, partaking in the Silent Auction and Raffle and enjoying live music and dancing.

### **About the Museum**

The Biggs Museum seeks to serve a diverse public as a regional museum of fine and decorative arts, made from 1700 to present, representing the State of Delaware and the surrounding Mid-Atlantic region. The Biggs Museum engages audiences through a compelling program of temporary exhibitions and programming. The Biggs Museum encourages the development of creativity and an appreciation for art by offering a comprehensive slate of educational programming for all ages. The Biggs Museum of American Art is a private, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.

**Hours of Operation:** Tuesday through Saturday; 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Sunday; 1:30 p.m. until 4: 30 p.m.

**Admission:** Biggs Museum is free to the public year-round. Fees may apply to certain programs and special events.

### **The Biggs Museum of American Art**

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