

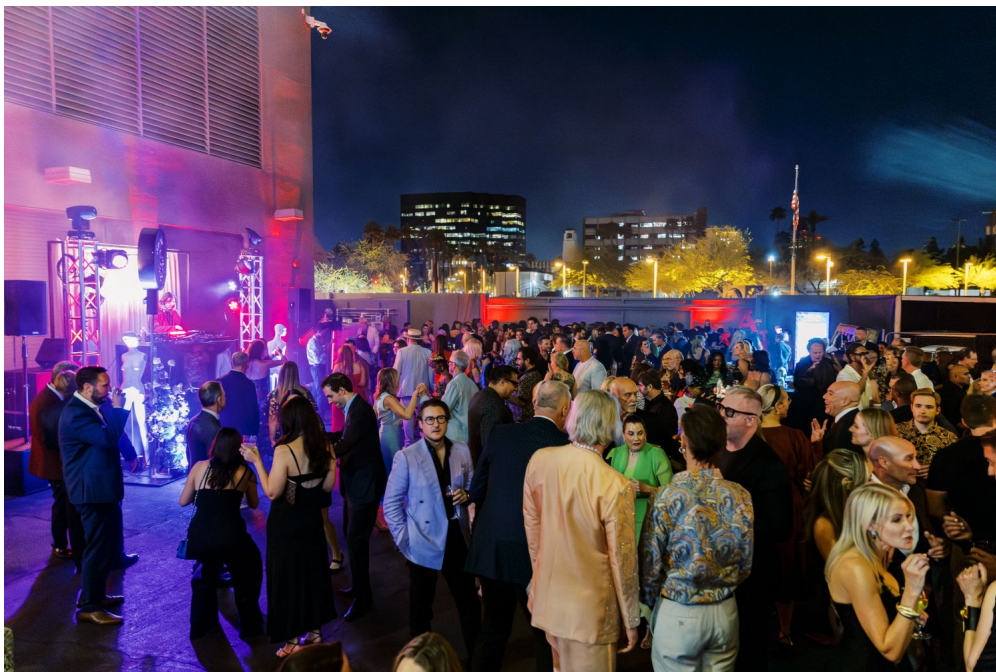
Annual Gala Raises Record-Breaking Amount For Phoenix Art Museum

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[Phoenix Art Museum](#) raised a record-breaking \$2.2 million in support of its exhibitions, arts education programs, free-access hours and vital operations at its annual gala fundraiser The pARTy in the Garden and afterpARTy. This year's event celebrated the Arizona premiere of the acclaimed exhibition The World of Anna Sui and was chaired by Jordan Rose, Rob Walton, Jay Franke and David Herro.

"On behalf of everyone at Phoenix Art Museum, I extend our heartfelt thanks to the chairs, guests, and supporters of this year's pARTy in the Garden, including designer Anna Sui who joined us to celebrate the Arizona premiere of her exhibit," said Jeremy Mikolajczak, the Museum's Sybil Harrington Director and CEO.



Set beneath the stars in the Dorrance Sculpture Garden, the gala event captured the spirit of "rock 'n' roll romance" inspired by the designs of iconic American designer Anna Sui. Immersive décor and an elegant culinary experience courtesy of Tarbell's enhanced the evening, which guests enjoyed in striking fashions.

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"Each year, the gala brings in invaluable support for our mission, and this year, we are humbled to be the recipients of a record-breaking display of generosity, which included a \$1 million gift from Jordan Rose and Rob Walton to ensure the longevity of our contemporary art program," Mikolajczak said.

The \$1 million gift will help launch the Rob Walton, Jordan Rose, and Rose Law Group Fund for Contemporary Art, an endowment fund that will provide ongoing support for contemporary art exhibitions, educational programs and scholarships, strengthening the museum's longevity in this arena.



Following dinner, guests experienced The afterPARTy, an exclusive museum-after-dark experience that this year was chaired by Jennifer and Andrew Cooper. Anchored by a live performance by international electronic music sensation Felix Cartal, all proceeds from this event also supported the Museum's exhibitions, education programs, free-access times, and operations.

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