Green and White Ball will dazzle on April 27

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With a new home and a new look, Boston's most anticipated springtime gala, the Friends of the Public Garden's Green and White Ball, will bloom at a new venue later this month at Four Seasons Hotel Boston. The event's new partners, Marc Hall Design, Frost Productions and PEAK Event Services, have helped create a fresh look for the elegant evening.

On Friday, April 27, at 6:30 p.m., the Friends' largest fundraiser of the year will feature a lively cocktail reception with signature drinks and passed hors d'oeuvres, a three-course dinner and dancing with the hand Night Shift. Around 300 guests are expected to attend the 21st annual black-tie gala.

This year's co-Chairs, Tamar Frieze (Back Bay), Ashley Harmon (Beacon Hill), Jackie McCabe (Beacon Hill) and Jessica Schmitz (Beacon Hill), have been hard at work creating a new look and feel for the event. "We are greatly appreciative of the tremendous community support for the Green and White," said Back Bay resident and co-chair Tamar Frieze. "We're excited to be working with our new, generous partners - the Four Seasons, Marc Hall, Frost and PEAK - to give our special guests a beautiful evening with a fresh design deeply rooted in the context of the Friends' annual black-tie gala.

MFA Boston, celebrates spring with annual "Art In Bloom" Festival of art and flowers

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA), celebrates the return of spring with Art in Bloom, taking place Saturday, April 28, through Monday, April 30, following an evening preview on Friday, April 27.

For more than 40 years, the festival has paired art from the MFA's collection—from ancient to contemporary—with floral interpretations created by 50 New England-area garden clubs. In addition to enjoying colorful arrangements scattered throughout the Museum, visitors can stop by the new Art in Bloom Market, Pop-Up Flower Truck and expanded Garden Cart for unique gifts and treasures, as well as take-home flower arrangements. Throughout the weekend, festival-goers are encouraged to share their best floral photos on social media with #mfaInBloom.

Art in Bloom is sponsored by Fitch Law Partners, Fox Hill Village — Westwood, MA and Restaurant Associates. A favorite MFA tradition for decades, Art in Bloom highlights art from across the collection and offers a wide range of activities for visitors of all ages. The festival launches with an evening preview of freshly installed arrangements on Friday, April 27 from 5 to 10 pm. Daily events throughout the weekend include tours of arrangements throughout the galleries; floral-arranging demonstrations; snacks and lunch in the Art in Bloom Café among European masterpieces; and outdoor tours on the Museum's campus and beyond.

MFA members can enjoy a members-only viewing with tours, shopping and dining during Member Night on Saturday, April 28, while the Art in Bloom Community Day on Sunday, April 29 offers art-making activities for children and families, as well as performances by local community organizations, including the Boston City Singers. Additionally, special group tours are available beginning Friday evening, and free Ikebana demonstrations take place on Saturday.

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Guests included restaurateurs Eric Aulenbach, Brian Poe, Chris Schlesinger, Ming Tsai and Jasper White, as well as former United States Secretary of State John Kerry, Dave Andelman of TV’s “Phantom Gourmet” and the hotel’s developer, Richard L. Friedman, among others.

“It was just us giving back to the people who supported us for the past 10 years, just a party to say thank you,” said Carah McLauglin, Scampo’s event director. “We had a great mix of old and new friends, and everyone had a great time.”

- Dan Murphy

Simon Restrepo and Alex Pineda in the kitchen.

Jana Rago, Ken Paolini, Kate Vanstry.

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Mike Conlon, Mario Russo, and Patrick Lyons, with guests of the event.

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