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History Unplugged: Reconnect at Stan Hywet in 2010

Estate opens on For Season on April 1

February 18, 2010 – Akron, Ohio – Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens opens on April 1 with the theme of HISTORY UNPLUGGED: RECONNECT AT STAN HYWET. Highlights of the 2010 season are *Discovering the Elusive Hugo Huber*, concerts in the Music Room, new family friendly programming and activities that focus on telling the story of the Seiberling family legacy. The shop and café in the Carriage House also sport a fresh, new look.

“Stan Hywet is building on the great success of the 2009 season by adding activities that engage the visitor in the story of this magnificent Estate,” notes Katie Campbell, Vice President of Marketing at Stan Hywet. “We encourage everyone who visits to ‘unplug’ from the demands of daily life and enjoy the history of the Manor House and the beauty of the gardens,” says Campbell.

The exhibit DISCOVERING THE ELUSIVE HUGO HUBER features the early architectural and interior decorating professions beginning in the mid-to-late 19th-century, and also traces the life and influence of Hugo Huber to the early 20th century. Huber, the New York designer who created the harmonious and exquisitely detailed interiors of the Manor House, was well-known in his day and one of the earliest professionals in the field of interior decorating around the turn of the 20th century—yet his work and accomplishments have been largely forgotten today.

MICHAEL HABER & FRIENDS perform in the Music Room this spring. Cellist Michael Haber, violinists Ioana Missits and Sae Shiragami, and Stanley Konopka on viola perform on April 11 and May 16, with more concerts by the quartet slated for autumn. Missits, Shiragami, and Konopka are current members of The Cleveland Orchestra. Mr. Haber was a member of The Cleveland Orchestra under George Szell, The Casals Festival Orchestra under Pablo Casals and the Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra at Lincoln Center. Reservations are suggested and tickets can be purchased at www.stanhywet.org.

More information on public programs and tour options as well as ticket information for all events is available at www.stanhywet.org.

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