



NEWS RELEASE

Stan Hywet Presents its Annual Gala Friday, August 20

Theme for the 25th Gala Celebration is "Speakeasy"

July 21, 2021 – Akron, Ohio – Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens hosts its annual Gala at the historic estate on Friday, August 20, 2021, beginning at 6pm. This year's theme, *Speakeasy*, is generously presented by The Lehner Family Foundation and The J.M. Smucker Company, and the celebratory occasion is chaired by Casey & Mark Juve, and Sarah & Pat O'Neill. Proceeds from this celebration help to ensure the continued preservation of Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens.

Guests will be part of an exceptional evening held in the historic gardens and grounds of Stan Hywet. **Speakeasy** features a sleek and sophisticated *art deco* dinner club and a Roaring 20s smoke-filled speakeasy, where guests who know the secret password may sip on prohibition-era spirits, such as bathtub gin and moonshine. Dinner will be served at 8 pm, with custom cuisine by Driftwood Catering, and then the festive evening continues with dancing and music by The Avenue.

Guests will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for a party for 30 people in the Music Room. Tickets are \$100 and just 500 will be sold, with the drawing on Facebook Live on August 27 at 3 pm. Tickets are also available to the general public at stanhywet.org

Interested parties may contact Valarie Still at 330-315-3248 or vstill@stanhywet.org for more information or to receive an invitation.

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Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens is located at 714 N. Portage Path in Akron, Ohio, and is the former home of Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company co-founder F.A. Seiberling and his family. Since 1957, it has been a non-profit historic house museum where the public can learn about the cultural, educational, and inspirational riches of one of the most significant achievements in architecture and horticulture to come out of America's Industrial Age. Open April-December, Stan Hywet is the largest historic home in Ohio and the sixth largest in the U.S. Stan Hywet is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is Akron, Ohio's oldest National Historic Landmark.

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