



## NEWS RELEASE

### Stan Hywet Updates Mask Guidelines: Masks Are Now Optional

March 1, 2022 – Akron, Ohio - Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens has updated its mask guidelines. Masks are now optional for all staff, volunteers and guests anywhere on the estate.

Stan Hywet’s updated policy aligns with the new recommendations outlined by The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which states that anyone who is in an area where the coronavirus is posing a low or medium threat can stop wearing masks. Summit County is currently at a low threat of transmission.

People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask, according to the CDC.

“While masks are optional on the estate, anyone is certainly welcome to wear a mask at any time if they feel safer to do so. Stan Hywet will continue to follow the guidelines of the CDC and Summit County Public Health,” says Valarie Still, Vice President of Events & Personnel at Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens.

Stan Hywet’s 2022 season, *Entertaining: You’re Invited*, begins on April 1. More information about the 2022 season can be found at [stanhywet.org](http://stanhywet.org).

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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