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Momentum Gala 2024 Celebrates, Supports Tacoma Art Museum Collections and Community Programs

TACOMA, WA (February 28, 2024) – Tickets are now available for the *Momentum Gala*, one of Tacoma's premiere charity events. This year's Gala will celebrate springtime — a time of rebirth, renewal, hope and inspiration. The event will be Saturday, April 13th from 5-9 p.m. at Tacoma Art Museum (TAM). Local humanitarian Kwabi Amoah-Forson, known for community programming through *The Peace Bus*, will emcee. Participants are invited to glam up and enjoy the night's fine dining by Table 47, live and silent auctions of amazing art, experiences and more, plus other surprises.

Along with being an inspiring celebration, the Gala is Tacoma Art Museum's largest fundraising event. The Gala often attracts over 200 people who collectively provide critical support for community access to TAM's diverse exhibitions and educational programs. Exhibitions that center on Pacific Northwest creativity and innovation, and programs like school tours and Studio & Storytime propel our creative economy and inspire tens of thousands of people of all ages each year. None of these would be possible without a generous community of art lovers and Gala attendees.

"Tacoma is a place of beauty, creativity, and generosity. One of the best examples of this is Tacoma Art Museum's Gala — an incredible event which is not to be missed. It will be my first Gala as director of the museum, and I couldn't be more excited to invite the community to join us."

 Andy Maus, Executive Director Tacoma Art Museum

The celebration is inspired by TAM's newest exhibition *Momentum: New Works in the Collection*. The exhibition showcases about 40 of TAM's 382 acquisitions from the last five years. The pieces also reflect TAM's progress and energy toward more fully representing the art of the Northwest and Greater Western region. *Momentum* runs through May 26, 2024.

For Momentum Gala tickets and more information, visit the <u>TAM website</u>.



About Tacoma Art Museum

Celebrating over 85 years, Tacoma Art Museum is the leading resource for art of the Pacific Northwest and greater western region. TAM's mission is to transform our communities by sharing art that inspires broader perspectives and cultivates a compassionate future. TAM's collection contains more than 5,400 works, with an emphasis on the art and artists of the Northwest and broader western region, 25% of which consists of studio glass. The collection includes the largest retrospective museum collection of glass art by Tacoma native Dale Chihuly on permanent view; the most significant collection of studio art jewelry by Northwest artists; key holdings in 19th century European and 20th century American art; and one of the finest collections of Japanese woodblock prints on the West Coast. TAM is in the heart of Tacoma's vibrant Museum District, which consists of six museums.

Visit Tacoma Art Museum

Wednesday10 a.m.-5 p.m.Thursday10 a.m.-8 p.m., free admission 5 p.m.-8 p.m.Friday10 a.m.-5 p.m.Saturday10 a.m.-5 p.m.Sunday10 a.m.-5 p.m.Closed Monday and Tuesday

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Admission:

\$18 Adult, \$15 Senior (65+), \$15 Military (active duty or retired with ID), \$10 (youth 6-18), free for TAM members