DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY’S ANNUAL SPRING GALA HELPS US “DIG INTO THE DOSSIN”

DETROIT - About 150 friends turned out to support the Dossin Great Lakes Museum for our annual spring gala on Saturday, May 7. The event raised $102,000 for the Dossin’s Outdoor Enhancement Campaign, which will bring many exciting updates and additions to the museum’s exterior grounds.

Guests enjoyed refreshing cocktails from the Sugar House and Detroit City Distillery, a strolling supper, desserts and entertainment by jazz artist Shahida Nurullah. To kick off the evening, a VIP groundbreaking ceremony recognized the campaign’s early supporters, including David Beddow & Camille Jayne, Mr. & Mrs. Douglas P. Dossin, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Dossin, Dr. & Mrs. Kevin Hanlon and Mr. & Mrs. A. Paul Schaap.

We also recognize the generous support of event sponsors Lear Corporation, Sidonie Dossin Brown, Mimi & Sandy McMillan, PricewaterhouseCoopers and Tepel Brothers Printing.

The Detroit Historical Society, established in 1921, is a private, nonprofit organization located in Midtown, the heart of Detroit’s cultural center. Founded in 1921, its mission is to tell Detroit’s stories and why they matter. Today, the Society operates the Detroit Historical Museum and the Dossin Great Lakes Museum. In addition, the Society is responsible for the conservation and preservation of more than 250,000 artifacts that represent three centuries of our region’s rich history. Through its museum exhibits, school tour programs, community-based programs and history-themed outreach efforts, the Society serves more than 150,000 people annually.

The Dossin Great Lakes Museum is located at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle. Admission is free for all, all the time. Permanent exhibits include Built by the River in the John A. and Marlene L. Boll Foundation Gallery, the Miss Pepsi vintage 1950s championship hydroplane, the Gothic Room from the City of Detroit III in the Polk Family Hall, a bow anchor from the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, the pilothouse from the Great Lakes freighter S.S. William Clay Ford in the Wayne and Joan Webber Foundation Gallery, and one of the largest known collections of scale model ships in the world. For more information, call the Museum at 313.833.5538 or check out our website at detroithistorical.org.

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