



SAM DISCOVERIES

WASHINGTON, DC  
MAY 13-17, 2024



SARASOTA  
ART  
MUSEUM



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## TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- 4 nights/5 days in Washington, DC with luxury accommodations at The Ritz-Carlton
- The Ritz-Carlton Club Level access with daily breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, hors d'oeuvres and beverages (including wine, beer and cocktails)
- Full-day visit with a private tour and behind-the-scenes access at **Glenstone** – the largest private contemporary art museum in the United States
- Welcome and farewell dinners
- Group lunches
- Private cocktail receptions with members of the Washington, DC art community
- Visits to selected DC sites, including Smithsonian American Art Museum, National Gallery of Art, Hirshhorn Museum and more
- Guest speakers, private collections and other special activities to be announced
- Luxury transportation for all group activities
- All taxes and gratuities for group activities and meals
- Tax-deductible donation to Sarasota Art Museum

*All activities are subject to change*

Dear Friends,

I am excited to announce our next trip with **SAM Discoveries** – our museum's travel program! As a SAM Discoveries traveler, you will enjoy curated experiences with exclusive access to artists, studios, private collections, contemporary art spaces and more, all in the company of other arts enthusiasts and SAM supporters.

Come immerse yourself in Washington, DC's thriving cultural scene, through one-of-a-kind excursions customized for arts explorers like you. Contemporary art is a trip highlight, with private behind-the-scenes tours of Glenstone—the country's largest private contemporary art museum—and the Hirshhorn, a leading voice for contemporary and modern art. Visits to the Smithsonian American Art Museum and the National Gallery of Art will showcase artists of our time, while providing historical context through centuries-old collections. Add in exclusive engagements with DC art collectors and arts world luminaries, private dining experiences, special guest speakers and activities, for a metropolitan adventure that's truly priceless.

Join us in discovering new places and ideas, while supporting Sarasota Art Museum in its mission. We look forward to taking this trip with you, and creating new memories for years to come!

Virginia Shearer  
Executive Director





## ITINERARY

**MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024** Upon checking in at the hotel, you will have time to relax and unpack before joining the group for a meet & greet at the on-site bar and lounge. We will finish the evening with a Welcome Dinner at an off-site location.

**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024** The day will begin with a private tour of The Smithsonian American Art Museum, the nation's first collection of American art, now one of the largest and most inclusive in the world. SAAM highlights America's history from the colonial period to today. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, followed by free time to explore the city. The late afternoon/evening will include a private tour (location TBA), followed by a cocktail reception with members of the DC art community. *Optional: attend an evening performance.*

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024** Spend the morning touring the National Gallery of Art, with a collection of 150,000 paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, photographs, prints, and drawings which span the history of Western art. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before touring the Hirshhorn Museum in the heart of DC, on the National Mall. The Hirshhorn is one of our country's most visited modern art museums, and encompasses one of the world's most important collections of post-war art. Finish the afternoon with a tour of a private collection or gallery to be announced. Enjoy some free time before a cocktail reception.

**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024** Travel to Potomac, MD, home of Glenstone—the largest private contemporary art museum in the United States. Glenstone assembles a collection of post-war artworks from artists around the world, presented in both indoor and outdoor spaces. Get an exclusive look behind the scenes during a private tour, followed by lunch at the on-site Café. After lunch, explore the museum on your own before heading back to DC for a walking tour of historical monuments. Enjoy some free time before our Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

**FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024**  
Individual departures.

Photos courtesy of [hirshhorn.si.edu](http://hirshhorn.si.edu), [glenstone.org](http://glenstone.org)



## ACCOMMODATIONS

### The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC

The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC evokes the classic history of DC while offering sophisticated accommodations fit for the city's modern, international energy. The guest rooms offer spacious layouts, oversized Italian marble bathrooms and stunning views of the prestigious West End neighborhood. On-site dining options include the Quadrant Bar & Lounge, as well as The Saga by Chef Enrique Limardo, which features upscale, inventive Spanish cuisine. Hotel amenities include Marble bathroom with separate bathtub and shower; luxury Frette bedding; Asprey bath amenities; complimentary Wi-Fi; laundry service; in-room dining; spa; valet parking; Equinox Sports Club; and Club Level access with daily breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, hors d'oeuvres and beverages (including wine, beer and cocktails).

## PRICING

### SINGLE OCCUPANCY | \$5,495\*

Deluxe King Room with one King bed and Club Level Access. 450 sq. ft.

### DOUBLE OCCUPANCY | \$10,990\*

Deluxe King Room with one King bed and Club Level Access **OR** Deluxe Double Room\*\* with two double beds and Club Level Access. 450 sq. ft.

#### PRICES INCLUDE:

- Group activities and meals
- Luxury transportation for group activities and meals
- All taxes and gratuities for group activities and meals
- \$1,000 per person, non-refundable, tax deductible donation to Sarasota Art Museum

#### PRICES EXCLUDE:

- Airfare
- Airport transfers
- Travel insurance
- Meals and activities not listed on the itinerary

\*These rates are based on a minimum of 35 participants. In the event that an insufficient number of participants sign up, SAM reserves the right to cancel the tour and refund all deposits.

\*\*Deluxe Double Rooms are limited, and will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**HEALTH** Travelers are asked to consider their health before registering for the trip. In many cases, the itinerary will require extended periods of walking and/or standing. Reasonable accommodations will be made for guests using wheelchairs. Travelers are responsible for bringing required prescription medication on the trip, and for their own medical costs, and medical transportation should unforeseen and unfortunate circumstances occur. Persons who leave the tour after it commences will receive no refund for unused services.

**RESPONSIBILITY** By completing and signing the reservation form, travelers agree to waive all claims and suits against, defend, release and hold harmless Sarasota Art Museum of Ringling College, its officers, agents, representatives and affiliated support organizations of any and all liability for personal injury, property damage or loss whatsoever. Sarasota Art Museum is not responsible for loss or additional expenses due to delays related to departure, arrival, illness, weather, strikes, acts of God or any other causes beyond their control.

## RESERVATIONS

### A required non-refundable, tax-deductible deposit of \$1,000 per person is due at the time of booking.

Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover Card or check (payable to Sarasota Art Museum) will be accepted. Rooms will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- Time of booking \$1,000 per person
- November 15, 2023 50% of the remaining balance
- February 13, 2024 (90 days) Remaining balance

#### FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE FEBRUARY 13, 2024

Cancellation policy: All cancellations will be assessed a tax-deductible donation to Sarasota Art Museum of \$1,000 per person. Cancellation requests must be made in writing to SAM's Special Events Manager. If the request is received at least 121 days prior to trip date (January 13, 2024), a refund of deposit, less the SAM donation, will be made. Later cancellations will be assessed the following charges:

Days Prior to Trip	Cancellation Fee
120 to 91	50% of total trip cost
90 to 31	75% of total trip cost
30 to 0	100% of total trip cost

**ITINERARY** Every effort will be made to adhere to the itinerary provided to each traveler in advance of departure. SAM reserves the right to make alterations or substitutions if unforeseen circumstances exist or if new opportunities become available.

## CONTACT

Laura Stuart Wood  
Special Events Manager  
941-309-4321 or [Lwood1@ringling.edu](mailto:Lwood1@ringling.edu)  
[SARASOTAARTMUSEUM.ORG/TRAVEL](http://SARASOTAARTMUSEUM.ORG/TRAVEL)





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Please complete the information below.  
Reservations are limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

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NAME(S)

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ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

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HOME PHONE

CELL PHONE

EMAIL

I have read the terms and conditions/cancellation policy listed in the trip brochure

### **SINGLE OCCUPANCY | \$5,495**

Time of booking **\$1,000** tax-deductible, non-refundable deposit  
November 15, 2023 **\$2,247.50** 50% of the remaining balance  
February 13, 2024 (90 days) **\$2,247.50** final payment

### **DOUBLE OCCUPANCY | \$10,990**

Time of booking **\$2,000** tax-deductible, non-refundable deposit  
November 15, 2023 **\$4,495** 50% of the remaining balance  
February 13, 2024 (90 days) **\$4,495** final payment

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Check** (payable to Sarasota Art Museum)

**Credit card** (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover)

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CREDIT CARD #

EXP. DATE

SECURITY CODE

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### **RETURN REGISTRATION FORM TO:**

Laura Stuart Wood, Special Events Manager

**Email:** lwood1@ringling.edu

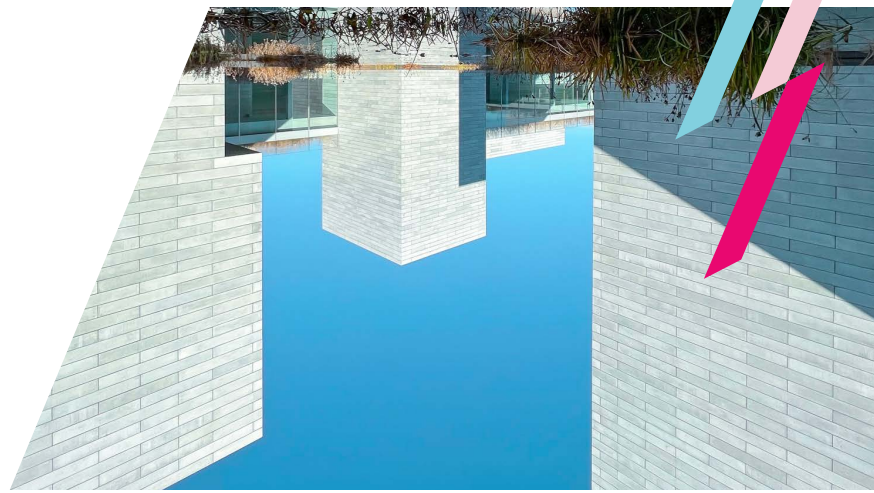
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