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Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit Announces Summer Fundraiser Interchange Art + Dinner Series 
M1 Concourse, Pontiac MI and Hawkins Ferry House, Grosse Pointe, MI

Detroit, MI – Join the Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit for the Fourth Annual Interchange Art + Dinner Series summer fundraiser. Detroit's most avid art collectors and supporters open their homes and spaces for a range of exclusive evenings combing food, drink, and art to create truly unique experiences. This array of unique and diverse events will unite like-minded members of the community to benefit MOCAD and the ever-thriving creativity in the city of Detroit. 2017 Host Committee: Jennifer + David Fischer, Linda + Rob Powers, Alison + Brad Oleshansky, JJ + Anthony Curis

M1 Concourse Private Race Track - First Patron Party at M1
On Thursday, May 18, 2017, 6pm; Art meets the automotive world. Be one of the first to experience an event at the newly completed M1 Concourse private race track and the amazing adjacent spaces made available by our generous hosts! Poised to be the largest facility of its kind in the world, explore M1 Concourse while sipping a cocktail or beer with a strolling dinner along the private garages, set on the 1.5 mile Champion Motor Speedway and cruise along a virtual race track on an Extreme Experience simulator. Plus! Hit the speedway for a thrilling ride with a professional race car driver.
Hawkins Ferry House Unobstructed Views Art Exhibition and Auction to Benefit MOCAD

On Thursday, July 27, 2017, 7pm; guests will mingle while enjoying the historic Hawkins Ferry House, designed by William Kessler in 1962. A modernist gem, the house was restored in 2015 with the owner’s original intention in mind—to showcase a vast art collection and views of Lake St. Clair. This unique exhibition will showcase a curated collection of over 30 groundbreaking contemporary artists, with each available for purchase on Paddle8.com. The home setting will also offer the opportunity for conversation about the original Hawkins Ferry House art collection, currently located in museums throughout the country. Artist List: Nina Chanel Abney, Derrick Adams, Brian Belott, Trudy Benson, Katherine Bernhardt, Sanford Biggers, Greg Bogin, Kendell Carter, Jack Craig, Greg Fadell, Beverly Fishman, James Benjamin Franklin, Sayre Gomez, KAWS, Paul Kremer, Andrew Kuo, Sadie Laska, Austin Lee, Carlos Rolon, Jason Revok, Josh Reames, Holton Rower, Adrienne Rubenstein, Chris Schanck, Agathe Snow, Sheida Soleimani, Spencer Sweeney. (Artist list as of 4/24).

“We are so thrilled for these very unique opportunities for this summer’s Interchange Art + Dinner series! There is so much artistic influence in both the design, art, and architecture community, that we felt it was a perfect connection for MOCAD located in the Motor City with such a strong art and architectural history” says Elysia Borowy-Reeder, Executive Director.

Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable.

Limited tickets available at mocadetroit.org and if you would like a press ticket please contact Mark Sleeman at msleeman@mocadetroit.org.

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The Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit (MOCAD) is an innovative addition to Detroit’s vibrant Midtown neighborhood, and functions as a hub for the exploration of emerging ideas in the contemporary arts. As a non-collecting institution, MOCAD is responsive to the cultural content of our time, fueling crucial dialogue, collaboration, and public engagement. The Museum is located between the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Detroit Institute of the Arts, Wayne State University, and the College for Creative Studies. The cavernous 22,000 square foot building, a former auto dealership, has been simply renovated to maintain its raw historic character. MOCAD’s ambitious series of public programs includes lectures, musical performances, films, literary readings and educational activities for area youth. *Mobile Homestead*, by late artist Mike Kelley, is a permanent art work located on the grounds of the Museum. It is both a public sculpture and a private, personal construction – based on the artist’s childhood home on Palmer Road in Westland. The ground floor serves as a community event space by and for a diverse public, as Kelley intended. MOCAD is generously supported by individual members, private and corporate foundations, and government agencies. More information can be found at mocadetroit.org.

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