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**Pérez Art Museum Miami Honors Artist Teresita Fernández at
Fourth Annual Art of the Party, Presented by Valentino
Saturday, March 17, 2018**

PAMM Art of the Party Tickets on Sale Now



MIAMI – January 29, 2018 – Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) will host its fourth annual **Art of the Party**, the museum’s largest fundraiser event of the year, on March 17, 2018. Art of the Party 2018 will honor **Teresita Fernández**, one of today’s leading contemporary artists, and philanthropist **Patricia M. Papper**. The event, presented by Valentino, will feature three exclusive guest experiences conceptualized by **Lee Brian Schrager**, as well as culinary collaborations by **STARR Catering Group** and Chef **Michelle Bernstein**. Bringing together cultural philanthropists, artists, civic leaders and arts supporters, the evening will showcase the world-class museum’s unique architecture and celebrate Miami’s flagship art museum. Funds from Art of the Party directly support the museum’s robust arts education program, the largest program of its kind outside the Miami-Dade County school system.

“This year, we have the pleasure of honoring Teresita Fernández, an internationally acclaimed artist with roots in Miami. Her work and influence have been a part of PAMM’s collection and history for more than a decade,” said PAMM Director Franklin Sirmans. “For the first time, we are also honoring a philanthropist in the community—Patricia M. Papper. We are extremely thankful to Pat, whose support and dedication have been vital to the growth of the museum since its founding.”

Born and raised in Miami, **Teresita Fernández** is a contemporary artist admired for her public sculptures and installations that allude to studies of perception, landscape, and minimalism. A graduate of Florida International University, Fernández made some of her early works in Miami, and her career exemplifies the tenacity and virtuosity of artists that originate from Miami. She is an activist that actively promotes diversity in American museum institutions. Several of her works belong to PAMM’s collection including *Fire (America) 5* (2017), currently on view as part of *On the*





Horizon: Contemporary Cuban Art from the Jorge M. Pérez Collection. Fernández's *Eclipse* (2002) was exhibited as part of PAMM's previous permanent collection display, *Routes of Influence*. In 2019, and in collaboration with the Phoenix Art Museum, PAMM will be honored to present the first major retrospective of Fernández's work.

Born and raised in South Florida, **Patricia M. Papper** is an arts advocate and philanthropist, as well as a longtime supporter of PAMM. She was a founding member of the museum in 1983, when it was the Center for the Fine Arts, and has been involved with the institution ever since. Throughout the years, she has served on the board of trustees—including serving as president for a decade, supported many exhibitions such as *Basquiat: The Unknown Notebooks*, donated works of art and funds for the acquisition of art, participated in several committees, and has been a part of major fundraising events such as the gala and Corporate Luncheon.

Art of the Party Chairs are Darlene and Jorge M. Pérez with Susana and Alberto Ibarguen.

PAMM's Art of the Party will offer guests three unique experiences from which to choose:

Chef's Table (seated dinner, 6:30pm): Chef Michelle Bernstein and STARR Catering Group will craft a three-course menu for an unforgettable dining experience held for the first time in the transformed M.B. Fernandez Family Galleries. Dinner guests will enjoy a cocktail reception before the evening's program in celebration of philanthropist Patricia M. Papper and artist Teresita Fernández. Chef's Table guests are also invited to extend their evening at the Supper Club dinner lounge and Remix after party.

Tables of 10 are available for \$25,000. Individual tickets are also available for \$2,500 per guest.

Host Committee: Arlene and Wayne Chaplin, Carol and George Crapple, Rachel Lehmann and David Maupin, Camille and Patrick McDowell, Alejandra and Luke Palacio, Dorothy and Aaron Podhurst, Sandra and Anthony Tamer, Volha and Nicholas Singer, Sarah Arison and Thomas Wilhelm, and Alexa and Adam Wolman

Supper Club (dinner lounge, 8:30pm): Supper Club offers a one-of-a-kind al fresco dining experience designed by Chef Michelle Bernstein and STARR Events, as well as live entertainment on the picturesque waterfront East Portico. Guests may reserve private seating for up to 10 guests, including dedicated tableside cocktail service. All Supper Club guests are invited to enjoy the Remix after party.

Private lounge seating with butler service is available for \$10,000; Individual tickets are also available for \$750 per guest or \$1,500 per couple.

Host Committee: Martina and Fabian Basabe, Allie LaSorte and Seth Browarnik, Yolanda and Jorge Colindres, Gingi Beltran and Karla Dascal, Lorena Dezer, Vivian and Miguel Dueñas, Eliza and Benjamin Elias, Manny Machado and Ray de Leon, Erin Michelle Newberg, Andrea and Lucho Noboa, Caroline Vreeland and Jason Odio, Bibi Pestana, and Jilian Lourdes Sanz.

Remix after party, 10:30pm: As the evening culminates, the al fresco Supper Club dinner lounge will be transformed into a vibrant dance club. Chef's Table, Supper Club, and Remix guests will join together for a late night dance party under the stars on the East Portico, enjoying cocktails and decadent desserts.

Individual tickets are available for \$125 per guest.

Host Committee: Christopher Adeleke, Jennifer Chaplin, Lizabeth Coppolecchia, Christina and Omar DeWindt, Katherine Fenwick, Michele Hanash, Charmel Maynard, Emily McKenzie, Maria Pienkowski, Aileen Quintana, Lawrence Raab, and Cristina Scarano





The evening's entertainment is presented by Faena. Wines and support for Chef's Table and Supper Club are generously provided by Kim Crawford.



For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit pamm.org/artoftheparty2018.

About PAMM:

Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) promotes artistic expression and the exchange of ideas, advancing public knowledge and appreciation of art, architecture and design, and reflecting the diverse community of its pivotal geographic location at the crossroads of the Americas. A nearly 35-year-old South Florida institution formerly known as Miami Art Museum (MAM), Pérez Art Museum Miami opened a new building, designed by world-renowned architects Herzog & de Meuron, in Downtown Miami's Museum Park on December 4, 2013. The facility is a state-of-the-art model for sustainable museum design and progressive programming and features 200,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor program space with flexible galleries; shaded outdoor verandas; a waterfront restaurant and bar; a museum shop; and an education center with a library, media lab and classroom spaces. For more information, please visit www.pamm.org, find us on Facebook (facebook.com/perezartmuseummiami), or follow us on Twitter/Instagram (@pamm).

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