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## The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design Announces the 2024 Mad Hatter Garden Party and Design Auction



February 19th | RICHMOND, VA: The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design will be hosting their second annual Mad Hatter Garden Party and Design Auction on April 19th, 2024.

The Mad Hatter Garden Party and Design Auction highlights local designers and artists. Items up for auction include ceramics, Richmond Architectural-based tours, clothing items, sculptures, paintings, home furnishings, the naming rights to The Branch's iconic gargoyle, and much more.

Guests are encouraged to explore their design skills to create and wear their most inventive, extravagant, and ostentatious hats. Awards are given to guests with the most impressive hats.

The Mad Hatter Garden Party and Design Auction is one of two annual fundraisers for The Branch that supports their mission to explore design in everyday life. Auction proceeds directly support the programming, exhibitions, and operations of The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design, Virginia's only design museum. Additionally, the proceeds support the stewardship of the Branch House, a Richmond landmark and historic home.

Go to branchmuseum.org learn more about the event. Tickets are available to the public <u>here.</u>

## About The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design (or The Branch):

The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design – housed in a 1919 John Russell Pope building on the National Register of Historic Places – explores the impact of design in everyday life, working with individuals and communities to create a more equitable, beautiful, and productive future. Through thought-provoking exhibitions, we aim to spark creativity, joy, and appreciation for design excellence. Through forward-thinking programs, we empower people to recognize and advance successful design solutions to better lives.

## **General Information:**

The Branch Museum of Architecture and Design is located at 2501 Monument Avenue, Richmond, VA 23220. The museum is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday 10am -5pm, and Sundays 1pm – 5pm. Admission in pay-what-you-can. For general information please call 804-655-6055 or visit www.branchmuseum.org.

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