

Frequently Asked Questions: **ignite! a WheatonGather**

What is ignite! a WheatonGather? *ignite! a WheatonGather* continues a time-honored tradition of championing the Glass Studio programs, including the Creative Glass Fellowship Program and Emanation residencies. This premier event is a day of exploration and discovery, experimentation, and fellowship.

What is happening during the event? *ignite! a WheatonGather* will feature Richard Royal as our studio guest artist, as well as Emanation 2019 artists: Jesse Krimes, Tristin Lowe, Martha McDonald, and Laura Baird, Karyn Olivier, Richard Torchia, Allan Wexler, and Jo Yarrington. The exhibit, Emanation 2019, curated by Julie Courtney, will be a major highlight. Event programming on June 1 will include an artist panel, studio demonstrations, an onsite and online silent auction, museum tours, along with a special exhibit mounted in The Gallery of Fine Craft. Evening activities will consist of an Emanation Artist Reception and dinner, both catered by Feast Your Eyes. An evening dessert reception and artist demonstrations will also be available to registrants on May 31.

What is the cost to attend?

- Full registration: \$200 includes all Studio Demonstrations, Exhibits, Performances, Artist Panels, Silent Auction, Friday's Dessert Reception, Saturday's Artist Reception, and Dinner
- Friday Dessert Reception only: \$25
- Saturday Programs, Artist Cocktail Reception, and Dinner: \$175

WheatonArts accepts checks and all major credit card payments for registration.

What do the proceeds from ignite! a WheatonGather support? Proceeds from *ignite! a WheatonGather* will support the Glass Studio Programs at WheatonArts, including the Creative Glass Fellowship Program, and Emanation residencies.

Do my membership benefits apply to registration fees? As *ignite! a WheatonGather* is a fundraiser, membership benefits and discounts cannot be applied to the Patron Program or ticket registration. You will be able to sign up to be a member or use your membership discount on-site at our museum shops.

When will invitations be sent and when do I have to register by? Invitations will be mailed by April 15, 2019. Please register by May 20. The dessert reception and Saturday dinner are ticketed. No paper tickets will be supplied but you will receive a letter acknowledging your registration and a registration packet will be available when you arrive. Visit our website at wheatonarts.org/support/ignite-a-wheatongather/ for the full schedule of events and to print the registration form.

What are the Patron Program levels?

Champion \$10,000 (\$8,950 is tax deductible)
Eight (8) tickets to full event programming
Two-hour private Glass Studio session with Skitch Manion
Reserved table at the Saturday night dinner
Curated gift basket
Recognition in the program book and on-site signage

Visionary \$5,000 (\$4,350 is tax deductible)
Six (6) tickets to full event programming
Reserved table at the Saturday night dinner
Curated gift basket
Recognition in the program book and on-site signage

Leader \$2,500 (\$2,100 is tax deductible)
Four (4) tickets to full event programming
Recognition in the program book and on-site signage

Partner \$1,250 (\$1,050 is tax deductible)
Two (2) tickets to full event programming
Recognition in the program book and on-site signage

Supporter \$500 (100% tax deductible)
Recognition in the program book and on-site signage

If I am a Patron of ignite! how many guest tickets will I receive? The tickets included in each Patron level include the individual purchasing the package. For example, if you are a *Visionary* you would be able to invite five guests. Patron tickets include the full event experience from May 31 to June 1. There are no tickets included with the *Supporter* level; tickets for the event would have to be purchased separately.

Are other items listed in the Patron levels available to my guests? Your guests may enjoy the full event experience for **ignite!** Other benefits such as the curated gift basket (Champion and Visionary) and the private glass studio session (Champion level) are only available to the person purchasing the Patron level.

Are the Make Your Own experiences included with registration or any Patron level? No. Make Your Own experiences can be purchased in addition to any registration or Patron level cost. Special guest artist David Graeber will be facilitating Make Your Own Paperweight experiences on Friday. Space is limited, please register in advance of May 20th for a seat.

Where do I go to get my registration packet upon arrival? Registration packets will be located in the Event Center. Someone will be at the front gate upon your arrival to direct you.

Where can I stay in the area? For a short list of surrounding hotels, visit wheatonarts.org/visit/local-accommodations/

Is there a dress code for the event? Summer casual dress is recommended for the entire event.

Will WheatonArts still be open for the day for visitors? Yes, non-registered visitors may purchase a general admission ticket on June 1 (\$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$7 for students over 5). Day visitors are welcome to view the Museum, special demonstrations in the Glass Studio, silent auction items, Ceramics Studios, the Down Jersey Folklife Center, the School House, and museum shops. Please note: The Museum doors will close temporarily from approximately 1:45 to 2:30 for a private performance by Martha McDonald and Laura Baird.

When can I view the silent auction items? Registrants arriving early are welcome to visit the Silent Auction 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 31. The silent auction items will be available for view Saturday, June 1 after the Artist Panel and Discussion and the auction will close at 7:45 p.m. on Saturday.

How can I learn more about the featured artists and the *Emanation 2019* exhibit? Please visit our website wheatonarts.org/support/ignite-a-wheatongather/ where you can click on the links to learn more about each artist.

Is WheatonArts and ignite! accessible to people with disabilities? Yes, all buildings on WheatonArts' campus are accessible for guests with disabilities. Accessible parking spaces are available on a first-come, first served basis in our main parking as well as the rear of our Event Center, for vehicles with officially disabled state stickers, placards, or license plates. For more information for guests with disabilities please visit wheatonarts.org/visit/accessibility/.

Who can I speak to if I have questions about ignite!? Please contact Rody Baron, Director of Development at 856-825-6800 ext. 118 or rbaron@wheatonarts.org