# **The PS21 Circle of Supporters**

The Circle of Supporters is PS21's innermost community of adventurous art lovers, a tight-knit family of visionary leaders who align their support with areas of special interest to them, underwriting cutting-edge productions, funding PATHWAYS community programming, or sponsoring innovative new works developed in residency. Members enjoy regular behind-the-scenes access to the artists and performances of PS21, with meet-and-greets, dinners, parties, and stimulating conversations throughout the year.

### Artists Circle: \$1,000-\$2,499

- All PS21 Membership benefits (free drink at every performance, access to member newsletter, access to ticket discounts, and more) plus:
- Behind-the-scenes access to artists' rehearsals throughout the season
- "Meet the Artist" events to experience a deeper and more intimate connection with our visiting artists, including directors, composers, choreographers, writers, and performers.

### Producers Circle: \$2,500-\$9,999

- All Artists Circle benefits plus:
- Invitation to the annual Producers Circle Dinner at the New York City home of a PS21 Board Member

#### Directors Circle: \$10,000+

- All Producers Circle benefits plus:
- A private dinner with the Executive Director and visiting artists to preview upcoming artist programming, and discuss the creative process of developing their work at PS21.
- Privileged access for you to host a private function at PS21 for up to twenty guests

## **2023 Circle of Supporters Highlights**

**May 21**: Season opening party: Members received free tickets to the season launch from Spanish flamenco star Patricia Guerrero. A two-hour party, with a season preview from PS21's senior staff over wine and cheese, preceded the performance.

**July 9**: House Blend Season Launch Dinner & Discussion: Circle of Supporters members were invited to an interactive event hosted by PS21 Director of Community Engagement, Matthew Gold, featuring a preview of 2023 House Blend chamber music series. After the preview, all attendees created a collective composition, and performed its world premiere!

**July 21**: PS21 Nouveau Cirque Gala: Members received advance invitations to join the PS21 Gala Host Committee, to celebrate PS21's artistic innovation and community impact at the 2023 Gala, featuring Cirk La Putyka and a farm-to-table dinner from Local 111.

**August 19**: Amoukanama Circus (Guinea): The Circus performed to over 800 attendees as part of Crellin Park Day. After the performance, Circle of Supporters members were invited to a sunset farm-to-table dinner and discussion on contemporary circus with the Guinean performers at PS21.

**September 2**: *ANIMA* (France):. Circle of Supporters members were invited to a farm-to-table dinner before ANIMA, including a Q&A with creators Noémie Goudal and Maelle Posey. Before the dinner, attendees enjoyed champagne over the unveiling of Silda Wall Spitzer & Tim Jones' installation in the PS21 fields, Dandelions.

**October 8**: Private party at the home of a PS21 Board Member: Circle of Supporters enjoyed appetizers and aperitifs over a stunning view of the Columbia County fall foliage, with a discussion of the fall PS21 season from Executive Director Elena Siyanko.



Composer Michael Gordon speaks at a postperformance Producers Circle dinner at PS21, following his immersive, site-specific work *Field of Vision*, written for 36 oercussionists.



The 2023 PS21 Nouveau Cirque Gala! including many Circle of Supporters members on the Gala Host Committee.



Circle of Supporters members enjoy a three-course farm-to-table dinner before ANIMA, along with a Q&A with creators Noémie Goudal and Maelle Posey.

# **Past Highlights**

**July 25, 2022:** Bang on a Can's Michael Gordon presented *Field of Vision*, a work for 36 percussionists. Taking place across PS21's fields, the performance was followed by an outdoor dinner next to PS21's theater and a "Meet the Artists" reception (pictured to the right).

**December 8, 2021**: A private dinner at a Hudson Valley estate with the remarkable French playwright and director Pascal Rambert, actors Jim Fletcher and Ismail ibn Connor. Members enjoyed an evening with the artists as they developed two of Rambert's masterful plays, *The Art of Theater,* and *With My Own Hands* at PS21.

**May 23, 2021**: Producers Circle party at Midwood, a Hudson Valley riverfront estate, featuring a panel discussion with the Heartbeat Opera creative team, director Louisa Proske (Oper Halle, Germany) and composer Daniel Schlosberg, discussing their work *The Extinctionist*, which premiered on May 29-30, 2021 after a two-week developmental residency at PS21.