

*You're invited!*

**ANNUAL SPRING MEETING**

May 7, 2026

5:00–7:00 p.m.



FRIENDS OF  
KENNEDY MUSEUM  
OF ART

# 2025-2026 Review

- The Friends of Kennedy Museum hosted or co-hosted four receptions and produced two first-time performance events in the galleries. In addition, we were instrumental in opening the new museum shop and implementing new membership management software.
- We adopted a policy of making events open to all, rather than for members only
- We established a goal to incorporate schools in the College of Fine Arts into events sponsored by FKMA; Art, Music, Theater, Dance (last season), Film (TBA)
- For the first time, we gifted KMA memberships (which includes access to NARM museums across the country) to 30+ KMA student workers and students and faculty who volunteered their time for an event



One of the student workers sent us this thank you...

*“These past few months of working as the assistant preparator have given me incredible insights into what it’s like working at a museum, and I can already tell that this experience will give me an advantage when applying for jobs after I graduate in the spring. **Museums and historical sites are my favorite places to go when I travel, so thank you for the free membership to the Kennedy and the opportunity to explore NARM membership locations all over Ohio and the country!** I’m really excited for the rest of the academic year and spending more time at the Kennedy.*”

*Sincerely,  
Cali Christian”*

# EVENTS

September 19, 2025

- Co-hosted with KMA the opening reception of the Faculty Exhibition Opening: *Art & Process*



School of Art faculty discussing their work in the exhibit.



November 6, 2025

- Produced *Spark of Creation*, performance by BFA Musical Theater students under the guidance of Melissa Brobeck, followed by a reception for the performers and audience



December 1, 2025

- Hosted a reception for OU Flute Choir, lead by Professor Allison Sincoff

February 19, 2026

- Produced and hosted a reading of **RED**, a play by John Logan, in conjunction with the *Resilience and Resistance* exhibit. Directed by Shelley Delaney, Emerita Professor of Theater, and featuring Evan Bergman, faculty member in Theater, and James Walkowski, senior BFA in acting and 4<sup>th</sup> year student worker at KMA; the play examines themes of artistic integrity and commercialism as Mark Rothko grapples with impending irrelevance. It played to an overflow audience.



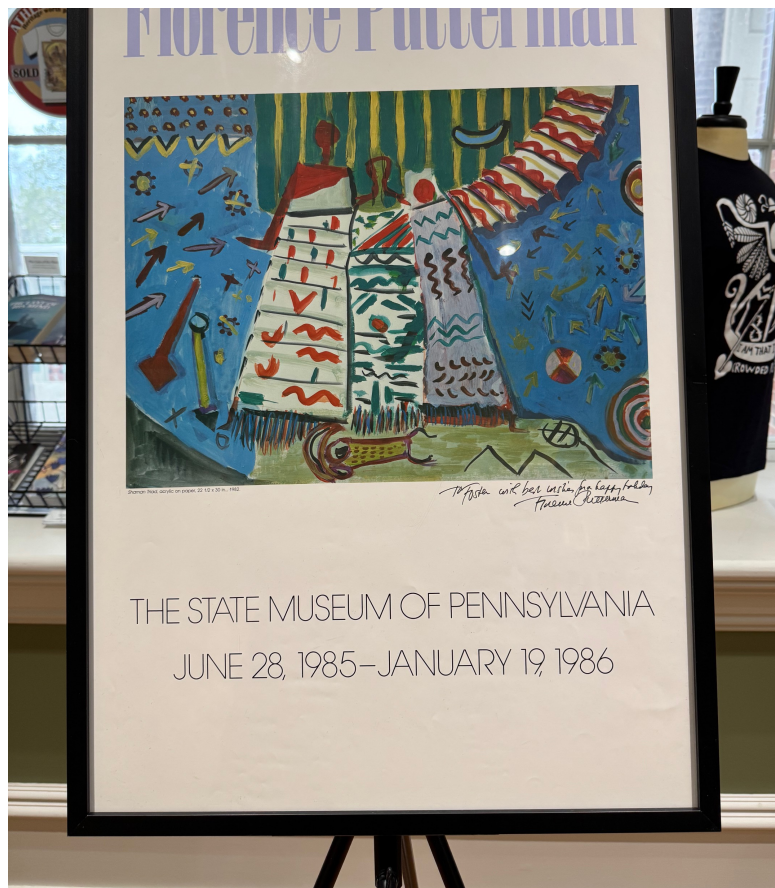


April 10, 2026

- Co-hosted with KMA the opening reception of the Museum Studies exhibition *Material Matters*

- Opening of the museum shop - FKMA donated all of our pop-up shop goods to the museum shop
  - \$1,777.02 wholesale value
  - \$3,000.00 retail value
- Donated the cost of the slat board and the “gondola” shelves for the shop.
  - \$1,138.64





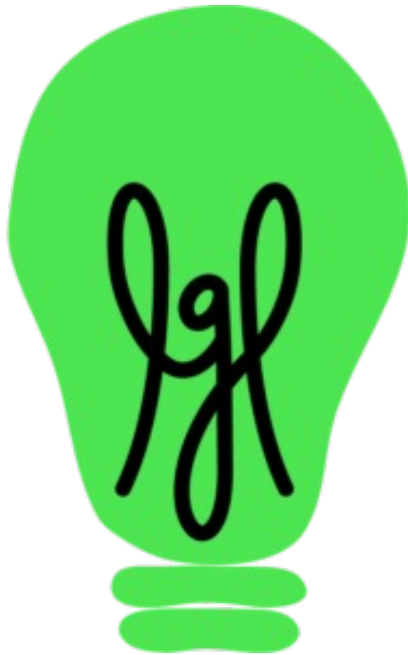
Paid for framing of ten posters from museum vault which are now for sale

\$1,000





In order to broaden our visibility and reach as many in the community as possible, we purchased a commemorative brick at the new entrance to the Athens Community Center



Adopted **Little Green Light** as a membership platform

- More professional processes
- Memberships renew one year from last renewal
- More automation, less manual organizing
- Ability to send updated information to specific groups of members
- Enable better coordination between Lyntha Eiler, FKMA membership manager, and Lori Spencer

## 2025-2026 Direct Giving

Opening receptions	\$3,023.53
Pop-up shop goods donation	1,700.00
Artists' stipends	400.00
Sketching model stipend	100.00
Poster framing labor	1,000.00
Museum store slat wall & gondola	1,138.64
Graphic Umbrella	70.00
School busing (Alexander)	<u>46.68</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,478.85</b>

## Indirect Expenses

Little Green Light	\$486.00
Wordpress (website)	245.00
Website Domain Name	265.00
NARM membership	200.00
Printing	889.63
Postage	312.00
Accounting	195.00
Rights for the play RED	181.80
Community Center Brick.	200.00
Small receptions	<u>184.77</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,159.20</b>

**TOTAL: \$10,638.05**

# KMA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party!

## FriendsGiving

Support and Celebrate 30 Years  
of the Kennedy Museum of Art

*Enjoy music, cocktails  
and hors d'oeuvres*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**September 26  
4:30-6:30pm**

Zenner House,  
30 Utah Place,  
Athens

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