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SAN FRANCISCO ARTS OF PACIFIC ASIA SHOW OPENING GALA CELEBRATES
13 YEARS

Proceeds Benefit the Asian Art Museum's Chong-Moon Lee Center for Asian Art and Culture

Thursday February 5, 2009 at Fort Mason Center Festival Pavilion 7:00pm-10:00pm
Patron's Champagne Reception from 5:00pm-6:00pm

What: The San Francisco Arts of Pacific Asia Show opens with Preview night gala to benefit the Asian Art Museum's education programs of the Asian Art Museum Chong-Moon Lee Center for Asian Art and Culture. The gala opening night is a stunning spectacle that includes colorful lanterns, lively music, traditional Chinese stilt-walkers and Lion Dancers. One of the hallmarks of the San Francisco social calendar, the gala benefit brings out a 'who's who' of collectors, business executives, society persons as well as museum supporters who are interested in taking advantage of the 'first look' at the show's highly collectible antiques and contemporary pieces.

When: Thursday February 5, 2009
Patron's Champagne Reception: 5:00pm-6:00pm
Preview Night Gala: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Arts of Pacific Asia Show: February 6-8, 2009
Friday 11:00am-7:00pm
Saturday 11:00am-7:00pm
Sunday 11:00am-5:00pm

Where: Festival Pavilion at Fort Mason Center (Buchanan Street and Marina Boulevard)
San Francisco, CA

Who: Opening Night Preview will honor Asian Art Museum curator Terese Bartholomew

Why: The San Francisco Arts of Pacific Asia Show is the oldest and largest vetted exhibition of Asian art in the United States. Considered one of the best Asian art shows in America, this event features museum-quality art and artifacts, antiques and contemporary pieces from around the globe.

Excellent Photo Opportunities: The Fort Mason Festival Pavilion will house a stunning spectacle of that will include colorful lanterns, traditional costumes, Ribbon dancers, Lion Dancers and Chinese stilt-walkers.

Additional Information: Please call (415) 581-3788 or email apa@asianart.org for details regarding the opening night benefit preview.

General admission for The San Francisco Arts of Pacific Asia Show is \$15 per person.

For additional information, the public should call (310) 455-2886, or visit www.caskeylees.com.

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