

SOIRÉE MONUMENTAL

KANEKO is honored to present Richard Hunt:
MONUMENTAL an original exhibition.

Richard Hunt working in his studio in Chicago, IL



For this year's Soirée, KANEKO is honored to present Richard Hunt: *MONUMENTAL* an original exhibition guest curated for KANEKO by Dr. Marin R. Sullivan. The timing coincides with the celebration of Hunt's work in the city of Omaha, beginning July 2022 when one of his large-scale sculptures will be installed downtown as part of the Riverfront Revitalization Project and the Gene Leahy Mall. KANEKO is proud to also be featuring exhibits by Chicago artist Faheem Majeed, and Omaha artists Sarah Rowe and Charles Kay Jr.

This Year's Honorary Chairs are Jon and Molly Ott. Jon Ott is Richard Hunt's biographer, and KANEKO has the Ott Family to thank for the opportunity to work with Richard Hunt. Their generosity has also led to the rich selection of artworks featured in *MONUMENTAL*, many of which have been lent from their own family's personal collection. Thanks also to this year's co-chairs Christine & Mauro Fiore and John and Allison Ashford.



Sometimes it is not about making art. Sometimes it is about making statements about culture and history or history and culture with or through art.

— Richard Hunt

Soirée is an event to celebrate KANEKO's creative programming and inspiring exhibitions that change the landscape of our community. Soirée 2022 Sponsorship will support KANEKO in hosting exhibitions and programs that catalyze community growth and connectedness. **KANEKO's 2022 goal is to raise \$350,000 in Soirée Sponsorships.** Enclosed are the giving priorities for 2022-23 and an outline of the ways in which your sponsorship will benefit the Omaha community.

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2022 Giving Priorities



THE GENE LEAHY MALL & SCULPTURE PARK

GOAL: \$170K

KANEKO placed the works of five internationally renowned artists in designated sites of the Gene Leahy Mall and Sculpture Park in downtown Omaha, Nebraska, and will be hosting major exhibitions in our space for Richard Hunt, James Surls, Linda Fleming, John Clement, and Bruce Beasley. KANEKO wishes to match a pledge of \$170,000 per year from the Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority (MECA). Sponsor Soirée 2022 to help KANEKO host these exhibits and offer public programs that will enhance artist exposure and the public experience of this installation.



RICHARD HUNT: *MONUMENTAL* *THE FIRST OF FIVE ARTIST ANTHOLOGIES*

GOAL: \$36K

For Richard Hunt: *MONUMENTAL*, KANEKO is preparing a richly illustrated anthology to be published following each of the five Gene Leahy Mall artist exhibitions. This first print will feature new perspectives on the monumental legacy of Richard Hunt and explore exhibition themes. Sponsor Soirée 2022 to help KANEKO raise \$36,000 to complete the first installment of an anthology covering each artist, their process, and their artwork.



A CONVERSATION WITH ALEJANDRO G. IÑÁRRITU

GOAL: \$44K

Hosted in the KANEKO space, Alejandro G. Iñárritu's CARNE y ARENA guided visitors through an immersive virtual reality experience centered around a multi-narrative sequence of true accounts by Central American and Mexican refugees. KANEKO would like to harness visitor impact following the experience with summer-long programming and by inviting this Academy Award-winning director to Omaha to carry forward a very active community conversation about the power of art to create empathy. Help KANEKO invite Alejandro G. Iñárritu to Omaha and host an array of engaging public programs that parallel with our community partners.



EDUCATION PROGRAMMING

GOAL: \$100K

KANEKO is pleased to announce that it received a matching grant from the Claire M. Hubbard Foundation for \$100,000 per year through the end of FY2025-2026. KANEKO is sustaining current programs and building new ones that are centered around DEAI and using targeted outreach to make artistic and creative experiences more available to groups that experience opportunity gaps. Major programs include Community After School, Creative Camps, Art for Me, among others. Sponsor Soirée and help KANEKO match these funds and deliver education programs that address opportunity gaps in STEAM education and other creative professions.

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KANEKO Tiers of Support

Fund exhibitions and programs that inspire inclusivity, catalyze community growth, and facilitate creative exploration.

Individual Tickets \$175

AMBASSADOR	BENEFATOR	ENTERTAINER	COLLECTOR	PROMOTER
\$25,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$1,000
tax deductible: \$20,100	\$13,440	\$8,700	\$4,350	\$740

Special mention on all KANEKO promotional materials for Soirée



Logo or name on display during the event and on 1000+ programs



Invitation to a private sponsor party



Special edition print by exhibiting artist



Host a private dinner for ten and a tour of KANEKO with the Executive Director



Free use of gallery space to host an event *



Special thanks in the book *Richard Hunt MONUMENTAL*, KANEKO's first of the Sculptural Anthology **



Presenting sponsor for a Nov. book release party featuring Hunt's curator Dr. Marin R. Sullivan and Hunt's biographer Jon Ott



Access to Creative Excursion(s): 2-Ticket Travel package to visit one or all of the 5 Gene Leahy Mall artist studios***



Presenting sponsor for Soiree with gallery naming rights for featured exhibitions



TICKETS TO SOIREE

20

16

12

6

2

Unused tickets may be donated through KANEKO's Giveback Program, in which we comp tickets to artists, educators, nonprofits, and community stewards.

* Examples are corporate retreat, off-site meetings, workshops etc. Includes space rental, cleaning costs, and staff time.
To be used within 2022-2023. Date and time TBD with KANEKO staff.

** KANEKO's Sculptural Anthology is a major series of publications featuring exclusive essays and photographs as well as contributions by the featured artist's exhibited at both KANEKO and the Gene Leahy Mall Sculpture Garden.

*** Creative Excursions are exclusive travel packages available only to KANEKO Ambassadors. Be a sustaining Ambassador with a three-year commitment (\$25,000 times three years) and access Creative Excursions with all five Gene Leahy Mall artist studios:

Fall 2022 - Richard Hunt Studios in Chicago, IL | **Spring 2023** - James Surls Studios in Carbondale, CO | **Fall 2023** - Linda Fleming Studios in Benicia, CA
Spring 2024 - John Clement Studios in Brooklyn, NY | **Fall 2024** - Bruce Beasley Studios in Oakland, CA

Questions, please contact Stephan Grot, KANEKO Executive Director at 402-203-2308 or stephan@thekaneko.org

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Name _____

Company (*if applicable*) _____

Name for Recognition _____

I would like to remain anonymous

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

DESIRED LEVEL OF SUPPORT

Ambassador (\$25,000) Benefactor (\$15,000) Entertainer (\$10,000)
 Collector (\$5,000) Promoter (\$1,000)

I would like to purchase ticket(s) to Soirée
Individual Ticket - \$175 Number of Tickets: _____

I am not able to attend, but please accept my donation of \$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

A check is enclosed (*payable to KANEKO*)
 Please send an invoice to _____
 Please charge my credit card: Visa Mastercard American Express

I authorize \$ _____ to be charged to my credit card (*please complete the information below*)

Card Number _____ Exp Date _____ CVV _____

Cardholder Name _____

Billing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please send payment to: KANEKO, 1111 Jones Street, Omaha NE 68102

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