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Free After-Hours Program is Back with New Dates and a New Name: NGA Nights



At a recent NGA Nights, visitors gather under Katharina Fritsch's *Hahn/Cock* (2013), on long-term loan courtesy of Glenstone Museum.

Washington, DC—The National Gallery of Art's after-hours series (previously titled "Evenings at the Edge") returns September 12, 2019, with a new name: NGA Nights. As in previous years, NGA Nights will continue to offer live music and dance performances, hands-on art making, dynamic pop-up talks with Gallery staff, and more, on the second Thursday of select months from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The 2019–2020 season will feature three thematic events in the fall—on September 12, October 10, and November 14—and three in the spring—on March 12, April 9, and May 14. Each evening will celebrate a different theme and offer new and exciting experiences.

Spring themes will be announced later this fall. Performers and event details are subject to change.

Registration

Admission to NGA Nights is free, but registration is required. To register and learn more about each

program, visit nga.gov/nights.

September 12 | Back to School

School is back in session during the Gallery's first after-hours event of the fall. Relive your best (or worst) school dance memories with classic summer jams from DJ Heat, draw a Picasso-inspired portrait, and take a spin on the NGA trivia wheel. Pop-up talks explore elements of art, while Tracy Wilson and Holly Frey, hosts of the hit podcast *Stuff You Missed in History Class*, look at the lesser-known history of the color blue during a live show.

October 10 | Art History Mysteries

Don your magnifying glass and trench coat for a night full of intrigue. Go on a detective hunt in the galleries, uncover mysteries within masterpieces during spirited pop-up talks, and haunt the dance floor to the musical stylings of Les the DJ.

November 14 | Throwback

Dust off your fanny packs, lace up your combat boots, and don't forget your scrunchies. Let's travel back to the 1990s when the Spice Girls reigned, and Will Smith became the Fresh Prince of Bel Air. Performances, music, art activities, and pop-up talks are all inspired by the decade that gave us the World Wide Web, TLC, and slap bracelets.

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General Information

The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden are at all times free to the public. They are located on the National Mall between 3rd and 9th Streets at Constitution Avenue NW, and are open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1. For information call (202) 737-4215 or visit the Gallery's Web site at www.nga.gov. Follow the Gallery on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NationalGalleryofArt, Twitter at www.twitter.com/ngadc, and Instagram at http://instagram.com/ngadc.

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