

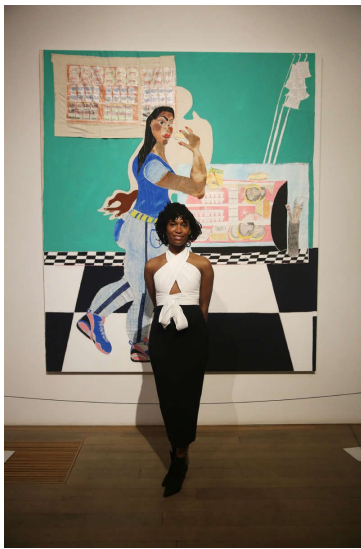


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## Pérez Art Museum Miami Celebrates Sixth Anniversary of the PAMM Fund for African American Art

*Tickets on Sale Now for Art + Soul Celebration  
Saturday, February 9, 2019*



Left: Tschabalala Self in front of “Chopped Cheese,” 2017. Collection Pérez Art Museum Miami, museum purchase with funds provided by Jorge M. Pérez, the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, and PAMM Ambassadors for African American Art. © Tschabalala Self. Photo: WorldRedEye.com Right: Guests at the celebration. Photo: Lazaro Llanes

(MIAMI, FL — Jan. 17, 2019) — **Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM)** is pleased to announce the sixth annual **Art + Soul Celebration** on **February 9, 2019**, an evening in support and celebration of **PAMM’s Fund for African American Art**. PAMM will welcome arts supporters and PAMM Ambassadors for African American Art for a night of cocktails, dancing, and the unveiling of the Ambassadors’ most recent art acquisition.

“It is in PAMM’s mission to present artwork that reflects the diversity of our Miami community. Through the Fund for African American Art and our annual Art + Soul Celebration, we have been able to build our collection to showcase vital artworks by African American artists from around the world,” said **PAMM Director Franklin Sirmans**.





PAMM has a 35 year history of presenting modern and contemporary art from underrepresented communities and diasporas, from Africa and Latin America, to the Caribbean. PAMM's Fund for African American Art allows the museum to purchase and showcase contemporary art by African American artists for its permanent collection. In December 2018, PAMM received a **\$1 million matching grant** from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation for the Fund. Through PAMM's Fund for African American Art, the museum has acquired works by artists such as **Rashid Johnson, Carrie Mae Weems, Kehinde Wiley, Purvis Young, and Faith Ringgold.**

#### **Cocktails + Dinner | 6:15pm**

Join PAMM for a cocktail reception and seated dinner under the stars with a menu prepared by celebrity chef **Amaris Jones** and emceed by WPLG/Local 10 Anchor **Neki Mohan**. Includes access to Reveal and Celebration.

#### **Reveal | 9pm**

Enjoy a champagne toast and lively program with **Dr. Lowery Stokes Sims** as PAMM unveils the Ambassadors' most recent art acquisition. Includes access to Celebration.

#### **Celebration | 9:30pm**

The party continues with cocktails, canapés, and dancing under the stars set to the soundtrack of **Jillionaire** and **A.Randolph and The Smash Room Project**.

For event and ticketing information, please [click here](#).

#### **Co-Chairs**

Deryl McKissack and Curb Gardner

#### **Honorary Chair**

Sheldon Anderson

#### **Honoree**

Dr. Lowery Stokes Sims

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\*Committees in Formation

#### **ABOUT PAMM'S FUND FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN ART**

The PAMM Fund for African American Art was established in 2013 with a \$1 million donation, funded equally by Jorge M. Pérez and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, for the purchase of contemporary art by African American artists for the museum's permanent collection. Through the Fund, the museum first acquired works by Al Loving, Faith Ringgold, and Xaviera Simmons, which joined other significant pieces in the museum's collection by African American artists such as Leonardo Drew, Sam Gilliam, Rashid Johnson, Lorna Simpson, James Van Der Zee, Carrie Mae Weems, Kehinde Wiley, and Purvis Young. At the last Annual Reception for the PAMM Fund for African American Art, the museum acquired works by Kevin Beasley, Theaster Gates, Sam Gilliam, Martine Syms, and Juana Valdes.

#### **ABOUT PÉREZ ART MUSEUM MIAMI**

Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) promotes artistic expression and the exchange of ideas, advancing public knowledge and appreciation of art, architecture and design, and reflecting the diverse community of its pivotal geographic location at the crossroads of the Americas. Led by Director Franklin Sirmans, the 35-year-old South Florida institution, formerly known as Miami Art Museum (MAM), Pérez Art Museum Miami opened a new building, designed by world-renowned architects Herzog & de Meuron, in





Downtown Miami's Museum Park on December 4, 2013. The facility is a state-of-the-art model for sustainable museum design and progressive programming and features 200,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor program space with flexible galleries; shaded outdoor verandas; a waterfront restaurant and bar; a museum shop; and an education center with a library, media lab and classroom spaces. For more information, please visit [pamm.org](http://pamm.org), find us on Facebook ([facebook.com/perezartmuseummiami](https://facebook.com/perezartmuseummiami)), or follow us on Instagram/Twitter (@pamm).

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