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Evenings at the Edge, the Popular After-Hours Program at the National Gallery of Art Returns to the East Building with Four Events during the 2017-2018 Season



Modern dance company Deviated Theatre performing at National Gallery of Art Evenings at the Edge event, December 2016. Photo: Rob Shelley, National Gallery of Art

Washington, DC—The National Gallery of Art's wildly successful program *Evenings at the Edge* returns for the 2017-2018 season with four events on November 9, January 11, March 8, and May 10. Programs will continue to take place on the second Thursday of the month from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the I. M. Pei-designed East Building. The 19-degree knife-edge angle of the East Building was the inspiration for the program's title.

This popular event for Washingtonians and visitors to the city offers guests a vibrant mix of art and entertainment. An opportunity not only to explore the Gallery's collection and exhibitions after hours, these events allow visitors to enjoy free live music, theatrical performances, films, discussions, popup talks, tours, and a chance to spend a leisurely evening with friends, family, and colleagues. Visitors are encouraged to tag their evening experience using #nganights.

Admission to Evenings at the Edge is free, but registration is required. To register and find out more, visit <u>nga.gov/evenings</u>. Light fare and beverages, including beer and wine, will be available for purchase; must be 21 to purchase alcoholic beverages.

The East Building of the National Gallery of Art is located at Fourth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW.

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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.

Visitors will be asked to present all carried items for inspection upon entering. Checkrooms are free of charge and located at each entrance. Luggage and other oversized bags must be presented at the 4th Street entrances to the East or West Building to permit x-ray screening and must be deposited in the checkrooms at those entrances. For the safety of visitors and the works of art, nothing may be carried into the Gallery on a visitor's back. Any bag or other items that cannot be carried reasonably and safely in some other manner must be left in the checkrooms. Items larger than 17 by 26 inches cannot be accepted by the Gallery or its checkrooms.

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