

THE RAYMOND F. KRAVIS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

END OF THE SEASON LUNCHEON



The Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts honored retiring Board Chairs **William A. Meyer** and **Jane M. Mitchell** at an End of season luncheon.

Board members, Life Trustees and Kravis Center leadership gathered at the Center's Cohen Pavilion to celebrate Mr. Meyer and Ms. Mitchell as they rotate off the Board and become Kravis Center Life Trustees. In honor of their service as Board Chairs, they will be awarded the additional designation of Chair Emeritus.

During the luncheon, a photo montage played, spotlighting their years of service at the Kravis Center. Attendees were treated to lunch provided by **Kravis Events by Lessing's Hospitality Group**.

Diane Quinn, Kravis Center CEO, welcomed guests and gave a special thanks to Mr. Meyer and Ms. Mitchell. Board Chair **Sherry Barrat** spoke next acknowledging the past Chairs and gave background on their accomplishments during their tenure. She also presented both Mr. Meyer and Ms. Mitchell with handblown Murano glass bottles as a thank you for their dedication to the Kravis Center.

Following Founding Chairman **Alexander W. Dreyfoos**, Mr. Meyer served as the Kravis Center's second Board Chair, from 2007 to 2013. Bringing his business and real estate expertise and connections in the community and beyond, he also served as Board Vice Chair, and Secretary as well as serving on many committees. He has been a leader giving significant gifts to the Kravis Center including the *Annual Campaign*, *Capital Campaigns*, sponsoring performances, and serving as Gala Chair. He is funding the Kravis Center's summer virtual reality experience, *Space Explorers: The Infinite*. For his service and dedication to the community, Mr. Meyer received the *Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award* from the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Ms. Mitchell was elected to the Board in 2006 and served as the first female Board Chair from 2013 to 2016. She also served as Board Vice Chair, and Treasurer and served on many committees. Ms. Mitchell also served as the Corporate Partners Executive Committee Chair. Ms. Mitchell has also been a generous lead donor for the Kravis Center including supporting the *Annual Campaign*, *Capital Campaigns*, and the *Endowment Campaign*. She has sponsored performances since 2006, supported the *Palm Beach Wine Auction* and was a Leadership Sponsor for the *Gala*. Part of her legacy to the Kravis Center was helping to create the **Endowment Fund** and the **Helen K. Persson Society**. She also received the *Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award* from the Association of Fundraising Professionals and the *Alexander W. Dreyfoos Award* for service, dedication, and commitment to the Kravis Center.

The Kravis Center for the Performing Arts is a not-for-profit performing arts center located at 701 Okeechobee Blvd. in West Palm Beach. The Kravis Center provides exceptional cultural experiences that entertain, inspire, and educate audiences across the entire community.

For general information about the Kravis Center visit kravis.org.



FIRST ROW: Jane Mitchell, Bill Meyer and Sherry Barrat; David Lambert and Monika Preston; **SECOND ROW:** Paul Leone and David S. Mack; Marty LaTour and George Elmore; **THIRD ROW:** Ava Parker and Joe Sanches; Stuart Frankel and Evan Deoul; **FOURTH ROW:** Penny Bank and Eileen Berman.

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