

**From: MADISON AVENUE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
New York, NY**

**Contact: Rubenstein Communications, Inc.  
Iva Benson (212) 843-8271, [ibenson@rubenstein.com](mailto:ibenson@rubenstein.com)**

---

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**MADISON AVENUE GALLERY WALK TO BENEFIT NYC PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Fund for Public Schools' Vice-Chair **Caroline Kennedy**, New York City Commissioner for Small Business Services **Robert W. Walsh**, New York City Commissioner for Cultural Affairs **Kate D. Levin** and Deputy Schools Chancellor **Marcia Lyles** joined a class of New York City public school students at Gagosian Gallery to announce this year's [Madison Avenue Gallery Walk](#), taking place on **Saturday, May 16, from 11 a.m. to 6.**

Fifty of the world's most prestigious art galleries on [Madison Avenue](#) will open their doors for the Second Annual Madison Avenue Gallery Walk to raise funds for arts education in New York City. Showcasing the breadth and depth of the collections represented by the world-renowned gallery community on Madison Avenue located between 57<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Streets, New Yorkers and visitors can get a close-up experience of fine art. Highlights of the festivities planned will be free guided gallery tours for families and art lovers conducted by art teachers from New York City's public schools, artist appearances and talks, a family art scavenger hunt and a silent auction of notable works of art donated by the participating galleries.

Organized by the [Madison Avenue Business Improvement District \(BID\)](#), and sponsored by [HSBC](#) and [New York](#) Magazine, the Gallery Walk will benefit [The Fund For Public Schools](#), a nonprofit organization chaired by NYC Schools Chancellor Joel I. Klein and Vice-Chaired by Caroline Kennedy and Mortimer Zuckerman.

“There are many ways for New Yorkers to get involved to help our public schools, and the galleries of Madison Avenue are setting a brilliant example for us all,” said **Caroline Kennedy**. “I would encourage everyone to stop by the event on Saturday to explore the galleries that help make up our vibrant arts community. Although we have come a long way toward giving more of our students a comprehensive arts education, there is still so much work to be done. I would like to thank the Madison Avenue Business Improvement District, HSBC, and New York magazine for their creative partnership with The Fund for Public Schools to help support arts education.”

[Madison Avenue](#), on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, is North America’s premier luxury district. Some of the most sought-after [real estate](#) in the world, Madison Avenue features the flagship boutiques of the finest European and American designers, over one hundred world class art galleries, exquisite restaurants, dozens of spas and salons for exclusive pampering, six internationally renowned hotels, and the [Whitney Museum of American Art](#). Madison Avenue exhibits timeless elegance with a contemporary flavor that is distinctively New York. This boulevard of understated charm is sure to entice your senses with indulgences from all corners of the globe.

#### Participating Galleries:

Adelson Galleries, Adler & Conkright Fine Art, Anita Friedman Fine Arts, Arader Galleries, Armand Bartos Fine Art, Art Finance Partners, Bjorn Ressler Gallery, Bonni Benrubi Gallery, Dalva Brothers, Inc., Danon, DeLorenzo Gallery, Didier Aaron, Inc., E & J Frankel, Ltd., Florian Papp Gallery, Fortuna Fine Arts, Ltd., Friedman & Vallois, LLC, Gagosian Gallery, Gemini G. E. L. at Joni Moisant Weyl, Guild Antiques II, Hollis Taggart Galleries, Howard Greenberg Gallery, Hubert Gallery, Jacobson Howard Gallery, James Graham & Sons, Jan Krugier Gallery, Jane Kahan Gallery, Karl Kemp Antiques, Keith de Lellis Gallery, LLC, Knoedler & Company, Kush Fine Art, L & M Arts, Leila Taghinia Milani Heller Gallery, Leo Castelli Gallery, Leonard Fox, Ltd., Leslie Feely Fine Art, LLC, Macklowe Gallery, Mireille Mosler, Ltd., Nathan Bernstein Gallery, Neuhoff Gallery, Nicholas Brawer Gallery, Nohra Haime Gallery, Sigrid Freundorfer

Fine Art, LLC , Skarstedt Gallery, Soufer Gallery, Stuart Levy Fine Art, Van de Weghe Fine Art, Virginia Di Sciascio Antique Textiles, Zabriskie Gallery, Zwirner & Wirth.

The Whitney Museum is a partner in the event, providing two for one admission for the day for those completing the Scavenger Hunt. Retailers are also participating, with Juicy Couture, located at 860 Madison Avenue at 70<sup>th</sup> Street, offering a 20 percent discount on full price merchandise in honor of the Gallery Walk.

The free tours are leaving every hour on the hour from our Event Information Centers in the **Fuller Building - Vornado Realty Trust, Owner (41 East 57 Street at Madison Avenue) and Arader Galleries (1016 Madison Avenue between 78<sup>th</sup> and 79<sup>th</sup> Streets)**. The first tours start at 11 AM, the the final two tours of the day depart at 4 PM. For more information, please call **212-861-2055**.

###