

Nasher Sculpture Center

## Press Release



### **Artists Announced for Annual *The Great Create* Family Fundraising Event Benefiting Nasher Education Programs**

Family underwriting packages now available for limited time.

DALLAS, Texas (February 13, 2014) – The Nasher Sculpture Center, along with Co-Chairs **Courtney and Jeff Sinelli and Tonya and Todd Ramsey**, are pleased to announce the artists for the second annual family fundraising event ***The Great Create***, which will take place on Sunday, April 27, 2014 from 1-4 pm. This event aims to engage families' artistic sides while raising essential funds for the Nasher's educational initiatives year after year.

Participating families will have the opportunity to create projects with featured local and national artists, including Morehshin Allahyari, new media artist and art activist; Christopher Blay, mixed media artist; Matt Clark, sculptor; The Color Condition's Marianne Newsom and Sunny Sliger, installation artists; Vicki Meek: visual artist, arts administrator and *Nasher XChange* artist; Kyle Hobratschk, printmaker and furniture designer; Ruben Ochoa, sculptor and *Nasher XChange* artist; Robyn O'Neil, visual artist known for large scale graphite drawings; John Holt Smith, painter; and others.

*The Great Create: By Artists. For Kids* is a celebration of youth art education and appreciation featuring a fun-filled afternoon of hands-on art activities and workshops in the Nasher Garden led by local and world-renowned artists, as well as live entertainment and kid-friendly food. The program is geared toward children 12 and under, and teens ages 13 and up invited to serve as "Art Ambassadors" to assist the artists and younger attendees.

"It is rare to find an event for a great cause that the whole family can enjoy. From the collaboration of the artists and the kids, to the fantastic tunes of the all-kids bands, all at the beautiful Nasher, *The Great Create* is an extraordinary experience and the perfect family afternoon," said *The Great Create* family co-chairs Courtney and Jeff Sinelli.

"Every dollar raised at *The Great Create* directly supports Nasher educational programs that encourage learners of all ages to form meaningful connections with the arts, including school tours, summer camps, teen workshops, family days, and after-school programming. We look forward to a wonderful event that supports our mission, and appreciate the time and energy put in by our committee and these accomplished artists," said Nasher Sculpture Center Director Jeremy Strick

All proceeds from the event will enable the Nasher Sculpture Center to continue providing outstanding youth education programs throughout the year, such as the 3:01 Club After-school Program, Summer Institute for Teens and free student tours. Education programs account for more than 33% of the Center's attendance each year, enabling many students and families to experience the Nasher at no cost.

Underwriting levels begin at \$500 for a family of four. Individual tickets will go on sale for \$75 each if space permits after the underwriting levels are fulfilled. For more information about underwriting, please contact Ashley Agnew at 214.242.5169 or [aagnew@nashersculpturecenter.org](mailto:aagnew@nashersculpturecenter.org)

**The Great Create Committees:**

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Erin and Lin Fitzenhagen  
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Brooke and Blake Hortenstine  
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**About the Nasher Sculpture Center:**

Open since 2003, and located in the heart of the Dallas Arts District, the Nasher Sculpture Center is home to one of the finest collections of modern and contemporary sculptures in the world, the Raymond and Patsy Nasher Collection, featuring more than 300 masterpieces by Calder, Giacometti, Matisse, Picasso, Rodin, and more. The longtime dream of the late Raymond and Patsy

Nasher, the museum was designed by world-renowned architect Renzo Piano in collaboration with landscape architect Peter Walker.

Hailed by the "USA Today" as one of the great sculpture gardens where art enhances nature, the roofless museum seamlessly integrates the indoor galleries with the outdoor spaces creating a museum experience unlike any other in the world. On view in the light-filled galleries and amid the landscaped grounds are rotating works from the Collection, as well as blockbuster exhibitions and one-of-a-kind installations by the most celebrated artists of our times. In addition to the indoor and outdoor gallery spaces, the Center contains an auditorium, education and research facilities, a cafe, and a store.

The Nasher brings the best of contemporary culture to Dallas through special programs designed to engage visitors, including artist talks, lecture programs, contemporary music concerts, educational classes and exclusive member events.

The Nasher Sculpture Center is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm and until 11 pm for special events, and from 10 am to 5 pm on the first Saturday of each month. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$5 for students, and free for members and children 12 and under, and includes access to special exhibitions. For more information, visit [www.NasherSculptureCenter.org](http://www.NasherSculptureCenter.org).

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