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***Champagne & Ribs* celebrates the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston's
commitment to diversity**

Hosts

Deidra Fontaine
John Guess, Jr.

Honorary Host

Chloe Dao

Host Committee

The Hon. Peter Brown
Felix and Melinda Chevalier
Deidra and Terrence Fontaine
The Hons. Ronald and Hilary Green
John and Carolyn Guess
Kesa Guest
Trey and Nicole Hadnott
Rodney and Sonia Harrell
Alton LaDay
Melanie Lawson and John Guess, Jr.
Elwyn Lee
Ramon and Karen Manning
Willie and Jennifer Miles
Adrian and Erin Patterson
Fred and Wendy Schiller
Marlen and Laura Whitley
Donna and Neil Wilcox
Cornell and Phyliss Williams

Houston, TX—The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston is pleased to host one of the sauciest events in town, the 8th annual *Champagne & Ribs* event. This year's event, hosted by Deidra Fontaine and John Guess, Jr. along with honorary host Chloe Dao, takes place at the Museum on **Wednesday, May 13, 2009, 6:30-9:00 p.m.**

Casual elegance is the best way to describe *Champagne & Ribs*. Guests will enjoy cool jazz by Yvonne Washington, delicious BBQ from Goode Company, and bubbly champagne on the Museum's terrace and grounds.

The event, which helps support the Museum's free admission policy, celebrates the Museum's long history of commitment to diversity and art and artists of color. Tickets can be purchased for \$100 per person by calling (713)284-8264 or at the door that evening.

GENERAL SUPPORT

The Museums operations and programs are made possible through the generosity of the Museum's trustees, patrons, members and donors. The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston receives partial operating support from the Houston Endowment, Inc., the City of Houston through the Houston Museum District Association, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Continental is the official airline of the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston.

A special thank you to *Champagne & Ribs* underwriters:



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and Denny and Sissy Kempner, Donna and Neil Wilcox, Melanie Lawson and John Guess, Jr., Betty and Bob Palmquist, Kelli and Eddy Blanton, and Belinda Phelps.

CAMH MISSION

The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston is an idea and a place shaped by the present moment. The Museum exemplifies the dynamic relationship between contemporary art and contemporary society through its exhibitions, public and educational programs, and publications. The CAMH provides the physical and intellectual framework essential to the presentation, interpretation, and advancement of contemporary art; it is a vibrant forum for artists and all audiences, and for critical, scholarly, and public discourse.

ALWAYS FRESH, ALWAYS FREE

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston is located at 5216 Montrose Boulevard, at the corner of Montrose and Bissonnet, in the heart of Houston's Museum District. Hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Thursdays to 9:00 PM, and Sundays noon to 5:00 PM. Admission is always free. For more information, visit www.camh.org or call (713) 284-8250.

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