

# Sculpture, Wine & Dine Sponsorship 2025

## “The Prairie Party”

*theNate*  
NATHAN MANILOW SCULPTURE PARK

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

**4 p.m.** Guided tour of the park on golf carts

**5 p.m.** Cocktail/Wine Reception followed by Farm-to-Table Dinner in the Park

#### ART

Through generous contributions from our supporters, new sculptures have been added to the collection recently. But we can't stop there! Group and solo exhibitions, and new acquisitions will be aimed at the next generation of artists, with emphasis on women and artists of color. Help theNate grow through new exhibitions of important, meaningful sculptures. Your gift today will strengthen the collection and its mission for the future.

#### CONSERVATION (art and land)

The weather in Illinois takes its toll on everything, including the collection at theNate. Your contributions allow our robust **art conservation** plan to address any and all needs in a timely fashion. Year after year, your donations maintain the artwork by making possible the repairs, paint, and other needs that arise – this critical work isn't possible without supporters like you!

Now that the Butterfly Ranch is established, it is more important than ever to maintain the prairielands so that visitors can experience and learn about native landscapes.

In partnership with the College of Arts and Sciences at GSU, this important work is directly linked with academic instruction. Humanist and scholar Bill Dodd's mission was to leave the landscape better than we found it through land conservation; your donation augments the Bill Dodd Memorial Fund to support this important work.

#### EDUCATION

The Lewis Manilow Common Ground Initiative (LMCGI), was established in 2019 as a tribute to our founder Lewis Manilow. Lew's vision of social equity and justice in the surrounding communities we serve is just as important today as it was in the 1960's. Your gift today will ensure that every community, from Frankfort to Ford Heights, has access to world-class art. School groups engage in activities that nurture empathy, understanding, and friendship by interacting with the artwork of theNate and discovering how the art responds to social, cultural, and political issues.

In our **Outdoors@theNate** program, S.T.E.M. becomes STEAM with the infusion of ART. This program opens young minds through critical thinking, investigation, play and exploration. Your gift and continued support will do the most good in these young lives as we establish local traditions of combining outdoor activities, art, and reciprocal learning, year after year.



# The three pillars of our mission are: ART, CONSERVATION, and EDUCATION.

Sponsorship of theNate offers organizations and philanthropists who are passionate about sculpture, sustainability, STEAM and Social Equity Education programs, an opportunity to make a difference by ensuring the continued success of this free community resource.

## CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

### SUSTAINER – \$25,000

- 16 tickets
- Recognition from the podium at the event
- Opportunity for a customized message during the event
- Prominent Logo display at event and within all marketing & social media
- Logo inclusion on all event marketing materials including social media and website
- GSU Digital Marquee acknowledgement
- Featured in 5 issues of “News From theNate” digital newsletter
- Press release
- Social Media announcement

### HARVESTER – \$15,000

- 8 tickets
- Recognition from the podium at the event
- Listing in program
- Logo inclusion on all event marketing materials including social media and website
- Acknowledgement in 5 issues of “News From theNate” digital newsletter

### CULTIVATOR – \$10,000

- 6 Tickets
- Listing in program
- Logo inclusion on all event marketing materials including social media and website
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### STEWARD – \$5,000

- 4 Tickets
- Listing in program

## INDIVIDUAL SPONSORSHIP

### FRIEND – \$1,500

- 2 tickets to the event
- Listing in program

### ADVOCATE – \$500

- Sponsor a student leader
- Listing in program

## TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION

I am pleased to contribute my support for Art, Conservation, and Education at **theNate**  
in the amount of: \$\_\_\_\_\_

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