



***NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM* BENEFIT GALA LIGHTS UP THE PEROT MUSEUM WITH INNOVATION AND IMPACT**

Proceeds Support Vital Financial Aid, Ensuring All North Texas Students Can Access the Wonders of the Perot Museum

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DALLAS (September 30, 2025) – One of Dallas' most anticipated philanthropic events of the year, the Perot Museum of Nature and Science's annual ***Night at the Museum***, returns on Saturday, November 8, 2025. The event promises to be an unforgettable evening of wonder and discovery. All proceeds from the gala will directly benefit the Museum's financial aid programs, which provide critical financial assistance impacting hundreds of thousands of individuals annually through field trips, outreach programs, and discounted admission and memberships.

Shelly Dee, a Perot Museum Board Member and global advocate for education, will chair *Night at the Museum* alongside her husband, Michael Dee. Together, they bring a shared commitment to expanding educational access and inspiring curiosity in future generations.

"*Night at the Museum* is one of the most meaningful and memorable evenings of the year for the Perot Museum," said Dr. Linda Silver, Eugene McDermott Chief Executive Officer, Perot Museum of Nature and Science. "We are honored to have Shelly and Michael Dee chairing this year's gala in honor of two of our original founding donors, Shelly's parents, Sally and Forrest Hoglund. The Perot Museum simply would not exist without Sally and Forrest's visionary leadership and unwavering dedication to support our mission. Building on that spirit of selfless generosity, this event helps us advance our mission even further and allows us to engage young minds all year through initiatives that expand access and foster curiosity for everyone in our community."

Through their bold vision and determination, Sally and Forrest Hoglund helped transform the dream of the Perot Museum into a reality by merging three institutions, moving the Museum downtown, and securing a historic \$185 million in private support. Sally and Forrest have exemplified a steadfast commitment to education and discovery, creating a lasting legacy of inspiring future generations through science and wonder.

"We're honored to chair this year's Night at the Museum gala and to carry forward the legacy of my parents and their role in the founding of the Perot Museum," said Shelly Dee. "The Perot Museum's programs are transforming lives by making science accessible, exciting, and inclusive. We believe every child in North Texas deserves the opportunity to explore, discover, and dream - and that's exactly what this Museum makes possible."

Guests at this year's gala will be treated to a memorable evening celebrating science and nature on all levels of the museum, complete with immersive experiences, signature cocktails and exceptional cuisine from Wolfgang Puck Catering. Highlighting the evening is the return of

Wolfgang Puck Catering's popular 10-Minute tasting pop-up, providing guests a five-star dining experience.

Throughout the Museum, guests can expect to indulge in menu items such as The Motion of Mac, an elevated twist on a comfort classic, seasonal harvest selections, and an Off the Bone action station that promises savor with every bite. Signature cocktails, from the sparkling "Aqua Pearl" to the refreshing Sorbete de Sangria de Cava, will set the tone for an evening of elegance and celebration.

"Every bite tells a story, and this event gives us the chance to bring the Museum's mission-driven ideas to life in a way that's both entertaining and delicious," said Pamela Brunson, President, Wolfgang Puck Catering. "What makes Night at the Museum magical is the alchemy between our two creative teams, collaborating each year to deliver something exciting and unforgettable."

It's a night filled with science, creativity, and cuisine, making *Night at the Museum* one of Dallas' most anticipated events of the year.

Ticket packages for **Night at the Museum** begin at \$5,000 (6 guests). Dress is cocktail attire, and complimentary valet parking will be available. For more information, contact Elizabeth Card, Development Officer Perot Museum at elizabeth.card@perotmuseum.org or go to perotmuseum.org/NATM.

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About the Perot Museum of Nature and Science:

Located in the heart of Dallas, Texas, the Perot Museum of Nature and Science is a nonprofit educational and research organization dedicated to inspiring minds through nature and science. Visitors will find everything from dinosaurs to diamonds and space to sports, packed into five levels of hands-on discovery and adventure. Through its state-of-the-art exhibits, educational programming and community outreach, the Museum offers exciting and innovative experiences for learners of all ages. To learn more, please visit perotmuseum.org.