



National Society of Arts and Letters

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Hillwood Estate Entrance

***A Very Special Optional Event Planned for Our Members
Thursday, May 30, 2019***

A Rare Opportunity to Tour Hillwood Estate, Museum and Gardens

After a busy Thursday spent in our General Session meeting on Thursday, May 30, plan to board a bus at 5:30PM, that will take us to Hillwood Estate, Museum and Gardens. There, we will enjoy a glamorous evening of entertainment and a sumptuous reception.

At the former home of NSAL member, Marjorie Merriweather Post, we will step back in time to imagine the life where Mrs. Post, a businesswoman, socialite, philanthropist, and collector entertained in her stately, 36 room, Georgian Colonial home. The estate, originally named Arbremont, is situated on a large, densely wooded spot in northwest Washington on the edge of Rock Creek Park. Concerned with Hillwood's fate after her death, Post arranged in 1962 to bequeath the estate to the public, along with a \$10 million endowment to maintain it.

"I want young Americans to see how someone lived in the twentieth century and how this person could collect works of art the way I have... I want to share this

with the rest of the world."

—*Marjorie Merriweather Post*

Enjoy Mrs. Post's lovely collection of Russian icons, her elegant furnishings, and her French and Russian porcelains. Tour the exquisite home to experience the dining room that seats 30 or the breakfast room overlooking the Lunar Lawn. Wander through the Japanese-style garden, the rose garden, the French parterre, and the croquet area. Gaze in wonder at the spectacular beauty all around.

Plan to add this optional event on Thursday, May 30, when you register for our 2019 Annual Meeting and 75th Anniversary Celebration.

It will be a glamorous evening you will long remember.