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SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
5:30 PM

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900 W WISCONSIN AVE

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MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION PROVIDES SUSTAINING SUPPORT THROUGH PRIVATE FUNDING TO ENSURE THE MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S ABILITY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO COMMUNITY NEEDS

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INVITATION TO ARRIVE IN AUGUST

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- Tickets for 12 guests
- Reserved seating during the program
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- Tickets for 8 guests
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- Tickets for 6 guests
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Individual Ticket - $250

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RSVP by August 14, 2026 to be recognized in event materials

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