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Alexander W. Dreyfoos Joins Flagler Museum Board of Trustees

Palm Beach, FL - The Trustees of the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum are pleased to announce that Alexander W. Dreyfoos has joined its Board of Trustees.

President of the Flagler Museum and great grandson of Henry Flagler, George G. Matthews, is thrilled Dreyfoos has joined the Board commenting, "Alex's interest in and support of Art and Culture in this community is legendary and my fellow Trustees and I could not be more pleased that he has agreed to serve on the Board of the Museum." The Flagler Museum's Executive Director, John Blades, remarked, "I am very excited that Mr. Dreyfoos has joined the Board. His long-standing commitment to art and culture, and his extensive board experience will be a real asset to the Museum."

A resident of Palm Beach County since 1968, Alex Dreyfoos has established and owned a number of businesses in the County over the years, including: Photo Electronics Corporation, Channel 12 television station, and The Dreyfoos Group, which owned and operated the Sailfish Marina. In addition to his business interests, Alex Dreyfoos made time to be a leader and prime mover in the Palm Beach County cultural community for more than a quarter century. In 1978 he founded the Palm Beach County Council of the Arts (now the Palm Beach County Cultural Council) and became its first chairman. A year later he took on a new project, raising the funds for and building a performing arts center in West Palm Beach. He became the first chairman of the new Kravis Center for the Performing Arts a position he has maintained for 25 years. The Kravis had barely been completed when Alex Dreyfoos got involved with a nearby Palm Beach County arts magnet school that today bears his name.

Alex Dreyfoos is well known for his philanthropy toward his two passions, science and culture. In the area of art and culture, he has made major gifts to the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, and the Dreyfoos School of the Arts.

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When it was completed in 1902, Whitehall, Henry Flagler's Gilded Age estate in Palm Beach, was hailed by the *New York Herald* as "more wonderful than any palace in Europe, grander and more magnificent than any other private dwelling in the world." Today, Whitehall is a National Historic Landmark and is open to the public as the Flagler Museum, featuring guided tours, changing exhibits, and special programs. The Museum is located at One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. The Museum is open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon until 5:00 p.m., Sunday. Admission is \$18 for adults, \$10 for youth ages 13-17, \$3 for children ages 6-12, and children under six are free.

For more information, please call the Flagler Museum at (561) 655-2833 or visit www.flaglERMuseum.us.

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