



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **FRICK ART & HISTORICAL CENTER ANNOUNCES ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

PITTSBURGH, PA, March 15, 2010—The Frick Art & Historical Center announces the election of new members to the Board of Trustees. The Board includes Family Trustees (descendants of Henry Clay Frick) and Term Trustees. **Richard Edward Symington** was recently named to serve as a Family Trustee, and **Aradhna Malhotra Dhanda** was elected to serve as a Term Trustee.

Family Trustee **Richard Edward Symington**, a resident of Scottsdale, Arizona, is co-founder and President of SoTru, which produces and distributes dietary supplements. A graduate of the University of San Diego, Mr. Symington holds a B.A. in International Relations as well as a degree in Culinary Arts from the Arizona Culinary Institute. Mr. Symington has a background in business, finance and real estate development, and has founded and presided over several companies since 2002.

Term Trustee **Aradhna Malhotra Dhanda** is President and CEO of Leadership Pittsburgh Inc (LPI), a resource for leadership development in southwestern Pennsylvania. Prior to joining LPI in December 2004, Ms. Dhanda served as Program Officer of The Forbes Funds, a supporting organization of The Pittsburgh Foundation. Ms. Dhanda is actively engaged with the academic, public policy, corporate, and nonprofit sectors and serves on numerous boards in the region. A resident of Wexford,

Pennsylvania, Ms. Dhandra holds an M.B.A. from Rutgers University and an M.A. in Psychology from Bhopal University in India, where she was born and raised.

## **ABOUT THE FRICK ART & HISTORICAL CENTER**

Located on the Pittsburgh estate of late-19th-century industrialist Henry Clay Frick, the Frick Art & Historical Center is the steward of collections left as a legacy to the people of Pittsburgh by Frick's daughter, Helen Clay Frick. The permanent collections include fine and decorative arts, cars, carriages, and historic objects (including buildings).

Built by Helen Clay Frick in 1969, The Frick Art Museum displays an exquisite permanent collection of European paintings, sculpture, and decorative arts from the 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries, and presents outstanding temporary exhibitions from some of the world's finest collections and museums.

Clayton, the Henry Clay Frick family mansion, is one of the most intact Victorian homes in the United States and possesses general significance as an artifact of American social history and a document of American and regional architecture. Restored to its original glory and opened as a house museum in 1990, an astonishing ninety-three percent of Clayton's artifacts are original.

The Frick family's carriages and automobiles provided the inspiration for the development of the Car and Carriage Museum, formerly the Frick's carriage house, and today home to a collection of more than twenty vintage automobiles. A museum of transportation design and history, the Car and Carriage Museum also presents temporary exhibitions throughout the year.

Also included on the Frick's five-acre site of beautifully landscaped lawns and gardens are the Frick children's playhouse, designed by renowned architects Alden & Harlow, which currently serves as a Visitor Center and Museum Shop, a large working greenhouse (also designed by Alden & Harlow), an education center, and The Café at the Frick.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Frick Art & Historical Center is located at 7227 Reynolds Street in Pittsburgh's Point Breeze neighborhood. Free parking is available in the Frick's off-street lot or along adjacent streets. The Frick is open 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Tuesday–Sunday and closed Mondays and major holidays. Admission to the Frick is free, however there are charges for docent-led tours of Clayton and some educational programs. Admission to The Frick Art Museum's permanent collection galleries is always free. Occasionally, voluntary donations are requested to view special exhibitions.

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*The Frick Art & Historical Center is a museum, historic site and cultural center with a mission to serve the public through preservation, presentation, and interpretation of the fine and decorative arts and historically significant artifacts for all residents of and visitors to Western Pennsylvania.*