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Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum is pleased to announce its 2023 Founder's Day celebrations. On March 11, 2023, Pyramid Hill will honor our founder, Harry T. Wilks, with free Park admission for everyone.

Founder's Day is particularly special this year as the Park is set to reopen the famed Pyramid House for public tours for the first time in many years. Originally built as a private residence by the Park's founder, the stunning Pyramid House has been featured in Architectural Digest and is now the namesake of Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park. Many of the original artifacts purchased for the House will once again be on display at the Pyramid House, in conjunction with a refreshed display at the Ancient Sculpture Museum. Park visitors can now take a self-guided tour of the House Friday through Sunday 12:00PM - 5:00PM, and Monday through Thursday 11:00AM - 11:45AM. These tours are free for members and included in Park admission for the general public.

Pyramid Hill will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11:45AM on March 11 to celebrate the House's reopening, during which we will also announce our 2023 season programming. Attendees can enjoy a guided tour of the ancient sculptures now located at the Pyramid House presented by Dr. Steven Tuck of Miami University at 1:00PM. Other highlights of the day include access to the Park's newest features, including Transition, carved as a part of Hamilton Sculpture Week 2022, and Jill Krutick's world premiere of *Coral Beliefs* featured in the contemporary gallery of the Ancient Sculpture Museum. The day will conclude with a Member Exclusive happy hour at the Pyramid House featuring our newest themed refreshment.

"We hope visitors will take advantage of Founder's Day to honor Harry T. Wilks' and his vision for Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park. We welcome you to experience art in nature, the way Harry intended, as well as learn more about what's in store for the rest of 2023." says Bryan W. Knicely, Executive Director of Pyramid Hill.

In 1987, Harry T. Wilks purchased the initial 40 acres of Pyramid Hill's now 300+ acre property to build his home; visitors know this iconic glass structure as The Pyramid House. However, his imagination didn't stop there. Wilks continued to grow his love for art and nature, and manifested it through the opening of Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum in 1997. He took great pride in sharing his passions with the Hamilton community before passing on his 89th birthday in 2014. We are forever grateful to Harry T. Wilks for his dedication to this space and invite visitors to join us in celebrating his life and legacy at Founder's Day.

For Founder's Day, admission to the Park will be free during regular Park hours, 9:00AM - 5:00PM.

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