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IMA Galleries to re-open with Edward Hopper Exhibition 7/19

Member Days July 17 & 18, tickets on-sale July 6, masks required indoors

INDIANAPOLIS, June 30, 2020—Beginning July 17 and 18 for members and July 19 for the public, Newfields will continue to open its doors more widely with the re-opening of the Indianapolis Museum of Art, the Lilly House and more. The re-opening will be paired with the summer debut of the highly-anticipated exhibition, <u>Edward Hopper and the American Hotel</u>, presented by Schahet Hotels.

"We have been waiting for this moment since the day we closed our doors and we are thrilled to now be able to safely welcome guests back our entire campus, including the IMA, Lilly house and the Elder Greenhouse," said Dr. Charles L. Venable, The Melvin & Bren Simon Director and CEO. "Our spacious Galleries, Garden and Fairbanks Park provide the much-needed room for all of our guests to spread out and enjoy the summer with what Newfields has to offer. The safety of our guests, staff, and volunteers remains our highest priority and we are confident that we have created a safe and welcoming experience for everyone."

All of Newfields' open spaces will be included in general admission and free for members. General admission is \$18 for adults, \$10 for youth ages 6-17, and free for children five and under, while Fairbanks Park remains free to all. Both member and public tickets will be available to reserve starting July 6 at 11 a.m. All guests and members will be required to reserve a timed ticket at discovernewfields.org before they arrive, which will allow Newfields to safely control crowd size and facilitate a contactless check-in process.

Members are invited to explore the IMA Galleries and The Garden first during two exclusive member days on July 17, and July 18, 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Become a <u>Newfields member</u> and reserve your free ticket on July 6th. Starting July 19, the Newfields campus will be open to the public during our regular summer hours of: Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and the campus will remain closed on Mondays. Fairbanks Park will be open to the public daily from dawn to dusk.

For the safety of all guests and staff, a face covering or mask will be required for all guests over the age of two inside all buildings at Newfields. While exploring Newfields' outdoor spaces, face coverings or masks are strongly recommended. All Newfields employees will be required to wear a face covering or mask when in public or common areas, or within six feet of others. Newfields will continue to adhere to all government restrictions regarding limits on crowd- sizes by maintaining a reduced capacity onsite. For the latest updates, safety protocols and more visit <u>discovernewfields.org</u>. Other open areas of campus will include The Garden, The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park, The Beer Garden, The Museum & Garden Shop, The Café and the Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse. All spaces will operate at a reduced capacity.

Inside the IMA Galleries guests will step back in time to explore the 20th-century travel scene in *Edward Hopper and the American Hotel*, presented by Schahet Hotels. The major exhibition will feature the Indianapolis Museum of Art's iconic *Hotel Lobby*, alongside 56 other Hopper paintings, drawings and watercolors. Guests will discover how the famous Hopper's paintings were influenced by his fascination with hotels. Works by other artists will show how he fits into a larger tradition of the role of the hotel in art. The art will be accompanied by firsthand accounts of travel culture in Hopper's time in the form of photographs, postcards and personal stories from the artist and his wife as well as Americans with different backgrounds, revealing how travel and hotel culture appeared differently depending on one's race, gender and class. To round out your visit stop by the newest culinary experience, Pop-Up: Hotel Bar and enjoy an old fashioned (or a milkshake).

About Newfields

Newfields offers dynamic experiences with art and nature for guests of all ages. The 152-acre cultural campus features art galleries, lush gardens, a historic home, performance spaces, a nature preserve and sculpture park. From inspiring exhibitions in the IMA Galleries, to concerts in The Toby, to a stroll through The Garden with a glass of something cold, guests are invited to interact with art and nature in exciting new ways. Newfields is home to the Indianapolis Museum of Art, among the ten largest and ten oldest general art museums in the nation; the Lilly House, a National Historic Landmark; The Garden, featuring 40 acres of contemporary and historic gardens, a working greenhouse and an orchard; and The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park: 100 Acres, one of the largest art and nature parks in the country. The Newfields campus extends outside of Indianapolis with Miller House and Garden in Columbus, Ind.—one of the nation's most highly regarded examples of mid-century Modernist architecture. For more information visit www.discovernewfields.org.

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