

# LIAISONS

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Society for Contemporary Art

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### Itinerary

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>

##### Check-in at The Rowan Palm Springs

Address: 100 W. Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262

##### Private visit of Linda Usher's vacation home and collection

Designed by Chicago-based architect Laurence Booth who cites Ludwig Mies van der Rohe as an influence; the house was built to fit a 42-foot-long artwork by artist Keiko Hara and to complement the 1956-built Frederick Loewe Estate, a highlight of the desert enclave's popular Modernism Week tours.

##### Welcome dinner hosted by Christie's at Le Vallauris

Located in a restored historic landmark, Le Vallauris is one of the finest culinary destinations in Palm Springs. Enjoy traditional French Mediterranean food by chef Jean-Paul Lair while dining alfresco or indoors.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>

*Breakfast at hotel at guests' preferred time*

##### Private VIP tour of Desert X art installations

##### Lunch at Azucar

Located in La Serena Villas, Azucar serves modern contemporary cuisine with an emphasis and focus on flavor utilizing high quality and local ingredients.

##### Private visit to the Palm Springs Museum

Founded in 1938, the Palm Springs Art Museum is the largest cultural institution in the Coachella Valley, featuring contemporary art exhibitions, a vast permanent collection, and sculpture garden.

##### Pending private visit to the Aluninaire House

The three-story house, assembled in just ten days, was designed by A. Lawrence Kocher and Swiss architect Albert Frey. Aluminaire House is considered a masterpiece of modernist design, recently listed by Architectural Record as one of the most important buildings completed worldwide in the past 125 years.

##### Pending private visit of the Frey House II

Perched high in the Palm Springs hillside, Frey House II, stands out as a beacon of desert modernism and an emblem of the influential career of architect Albert Frey.





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## Dinner at Workshop Kitchen

Set in a Spanish-style building from the 1920s, while the interior is a modernist temple of polished concrete is chef Michael Beckman's Workshop Kitchen + Bar. The restaurant is devoted to fresh seasonal dishes and locally sourced ingredients.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>

*Breakfast at hotel at guests' preferred time*

## Private VIP tour of Desert X art installations

### Lunch at Chi Chi

Serving up fresh, chef-inspired fare, their menu reflects a vibrant, spirited take on delicious real ingredients and authentic West Coast cuisine.

### Site-specific exhibition at The Cody Family House

Curated by Peter Blake, this site-specific exhibition of contemporary art and historical modern design will be on view at the architecturally significant, mid-century home designed by William F. Cody, a masterpiece of post-war modernism. The exhibition features noted Light and Space artists such as Lita Albuquerque, Peter Alexander, Larry Bell, Gisela Colon, Helen Pashgian, Phillip K. Smith III, James Turrell, and DeWain Valentine, among others. Design is represented by important works by Antoine Philippon & Jacqueline Lecoq, Afra and Tobia Scarpa, Angelo Mangiarotti, Vladimir Kagan, Gio Ponti, Joe Colombo, and others.

### Private visit of the Architecture and Design Center Edwards Harris Pavilion

Located in downtown Palm Springs, is the creative hub for midcentury architecture and design exploration. Featuring exhibitions, and educational and community programs, as well as research space, and a storage area for the museum's growing architecture and design collections, and archives.

### Dinner at SO.PA

This refined institution offers a unique alfresco dining experience in an intimate setting.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>

*Breakfast at hotel at guests' preferred time*

## Private VIP tour of Desert X Art Installations

### Lunch and Desert X installation viewing at Sunnylands Center and Gardens

The historic midcentury modern estate was designed by Frederick Fisher in the late 2000s, the Center is surrounded by a nine-acre art garden planted with more than 70,000 arid-climate plants and trees. Landscape architect James Burnett said that the design was inspired by the Annenbergs' collection of Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings.







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## Private visit of a contemporary artist studio

## Sunset private VIP tour of Desert X art installations in North Palm Springs

### Dinner at Sandfish

Engin Onural, the restaurant's chef and owner, blends traditional Japanese technique with modern global touches. The result is one of Palm Springs' most genre-bending dining spots.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>

*Breakfast at hotel at guests' preferred time*

### End of program

*\*Itinerary is subject to change*





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Desert X - Palm Springs  
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**Included:**

- 4-night accommodation at Kimpton Rowan Palm Springs Hotel
- Private luxury ground transportation to all activities included in the final itinerary
- Exclusive program of activities
- All meals and culinary experiences during the trip in the most sought out restaurants
- \$2,500 USD group donation to Desert X
- Special guests' trip gifts & housewarming gifts for all hosts (when visiting private collections)
- Special access and private guided tours to cultural sites, and private collections, among others
- All taxes, tips, and gratuities for all activities outlined in final itinerary
- SCA Staff with group at all times
- Liaisons team accompanying the group at all times, managing all logistics, and providing personalized concierge services to all guests during the trip

**Not included:**

- Air travel to and from Palm Springs. Please note that the participants are responsible for making their own airline arrangements
- Airport Transportation
- Travel Insurance
- Early check-in/late check-out
- Personal items and expenses, such as telephone, laundry, and dry cleaning, minibar, etc
- Any other item not specifically included in the program

**Costs for a group of 20 guests:**

- Double Occupancy: \$4,360 USD per person
- Single Occupancy supplement: +\$1,160 USD (\$5,520 USD per person)

**Registration deadline: February 20th, 2023**  
**After this date availability & pricing is not guaranteed**

**Trip organized by LIAISONS**

For any questions and/or to register please contact Lou Malta at [lou@liaisonscorporation.com](mailto:lou@liaisonscorporation.com)