



A House Party at Cranbrook: History in the Making Frequently asked questions (FAQ)

What time does the event start?

4:00pm – House tours
6:00pm – Cocktail Reception and Auction
8:00pm – Dinner
9:30pm – Nightcap
11:00pm – Event Concludes

Where do I park?

For the Tours, valet will be located in the Cranbrook House main parking lot starting at 3:45pm.
For the House Party, valet will be located in the Cranbrook House courtyard circle at 5:45pm.

Are there accommodations for accessibility for guests with physical challenges?

Yes. We will have a golf cart available for transportation for guests with mobility challenges.

What is the dress code for the event?

The event is inspired by the 50s and 60s, mid-century modern. Feel free to dress in the moment—festive party attire, lawn friendly shoes for women, ties optional for men.

Are there meal options available for Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten-Free, other? How do I make sure this information reached event organizers?

Yes. A Vegetarian/Vegan/Gluten free entrée option is available. Please contact Julie VanHove at jvanhove@cranbrook.edu with any special meal requirements or allergies so we can be sure to plan your meal for the evening.

Do I have to do the tours, or can I arrive in time for the cocktail reception? What time?

The tours are optional. However, we encourage guests to take advantage of this unique opportunity to get an “insiders look” along with interpretive tours of Thornlea and Lyon House and the present day home of the Archives in Cranbrook Art Museum.

Is there a possibility to buy last minute tickets?

Yes, we have a few tickets for the event available. Please contact Kathryn Dimond at 248.645.3215 or kdimond@cranbrook.edu to purchase tickets.

How much walking will take place during the tours?

Shuttles will transport guests directly to each house tour. Guests are able to “Hop-on, Hop-off” for the tours they are interested in joining. Walking distance is limited to the confines of each location.