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**Antiques & Garden Show of Nashville Celebrates "American Elegance," Jan. 9 – 11, 2026**

*Keynote speakers David Lauren and Lauren Bush Lauren kick off annual antiques and horticulture event*

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** – Antiques & Garden Show of Nashville, a benefit for Cheekwood Estate & Gardens and Economic Club of Nashville (ECON) Charities, presented by Northern Trust, announced "*American Elegance*" is the theme for the 2026 Show, returning to Music City Center Jan. 9 – 11. Tickets are on sale now at [antiquesandgardenshow.com](https://antiquesandgardenshow.com).

The 2025 Show, which marked 35 years, drew more than 17,000 attendees for the 150 antiques, art and horticulture dealers, immersive garden showcases, live music and special events. Chairing the forthcoming event are Paula Kinard and Phyllis Vandewater, close friends and creative collaborators who have years of joint community involvement. Additionally, renowned designer, author, entrepreneur and philanthropist **Bunny Williams** and her business partner **Elizabeth Lawrence** will return as Honorary Co-Chairs.

The look of the Show will be guided by fabric partner Kravet, along with a talented team of designers, landscape architects and volunteers who transform the Music City Center each year in a matter of days. The 2026 Show's lecture series is also inspired by the theme with an impressive lineup of US-based experts who tout international influence and acclaim.

- The Friday morning Keynote Lecture will kick off the series with **David Lauren** and **Lauren Bush Lauren** discussing the legacy of Ralph Lauren's classic American style, moderated by **Alfredo Paredes**.
- A Design Panel on the sophisticated translation of American elegance on Friday afternoon includes renowned designers **Will Meyer** and **Gray Davis** of Meyer Davis and **John and Christine Gachot** of GACHOT.
- Globally celebrated designer, author and public speaker **Preston Bailey** will lead the Saturday morning **Floral Lecture** on the art of designing an elegant celebration.
- Saturday afternoon's Landscape Design Lecture will wrap up the series with a presentation from lauded landscape architect **Charles Stick** on designing timeless American gardens.

The Show Floor's three spectacular garden showcases are presented by accomplished landscape designers in which attendees are invited to walk through and experience interactively. Cheekwood will once again greet attendees with the Entry Exhibition designed by Cheekwood's talented team of gardeners. The East Garden lead landscape designer is **Gavin Duke** of Duke Design Group while **Nature's Best**, an award-winning garden center in Middle Tennessee, will design the West Garden, incorporating a **Hartley Botanic Greenhouse** into the showcase.

Additionally, Antiques & Garden Show presents Nashville-based interior designers **Stephanie Sabbe** of Sabbe Interior Design as the 2026 Stage Designer and **Roger Higgins** of R. Higgins Interiors as the 2026 Entrance Designer. The 2026 Show also welcomes designer and tastemaker **Kate Rheinstein Brodsky** as Preview Party Honorary Chair and Southern Living Editor in Chief **Sid Evans** and House & Parties Founder and Creative Director **Rebecca Gardner** as Bourbon Party Honorary Co-Chairs.

[The Hermitage Hotel](#) is honored to serve as the Presenting Hotel for the 2026 Antiques & Garden Show of Nashville. Since 1910, Nashville's grand dame has welcomed guests with Beaux-Arts beauty, timeless design and a spirit of hospitality that feels both elegant and personal. This year, Show guests are invited to carry the inspiration of the Show Floor into the hotel's celebrated spaces, whether gathering for iconic Afternoon Tea, unwinding during the spirited 1910 Hour or enjoying the award-winning flavors of Chef Jean-Georges. In partnership with the Antiques & Garden Show, these moments reflect what The Hermitage Hotel has always stood for: a beloved gathering place where American elegance and Southern hospitality come together in the heart of our city.

Antiques & Garden Show extends its gratitude to 2026 Presenting Sponsor Northern Trust and Founding Sponsor TVV Capital. Show proceeds benefit Cheekwood, a historic estate serving as a public botanical garden, arboretum and art museum, and ECON Charities, which partners with local nonprofits that share its mission in strengthening Nashville families. These include Raising Resilience TN (formerly The Family Center), The Next Door Recovery and Light A Spark, an in-house initiative that helps families enjoy meaningful cultural experiences together.

Lectures and special events require the purchase of a separate ticket to General Admission, and there is limited ticket availability for the 2026 Keynote Lecture. To learn more about the Show's beneficiaries, schedule of events, lecture speakers and to purchase tickets, visit [www.antiquesandgardenshow.com](http://www.antiquesandgardenshow.com) and follow Antiques & Garden Show of Nashville on [Instagram](#) (@AntiquesandGardenShow) and [Facebook](#) ([facebook.com/AntiquesandGardenShow](https://facebook.com/AntiquesandGardenShow)).

#### **ABOUT ANTIQUES & GARDEN SHOW OF NASHVILLE**

Antiques & Garden Show of Nashville is an annual benefit for Cheekwood Estate & Gardens and Economic Club of Nashville (ECON) Charities. Each year, the Show exhibits the highest-quality antiques, landscaped gardens and horticultural items from exhibitors across the country as well as offers a related educational outreach program. The Show has raised \$12 million for its beneficiaries since its inception in 1990. Learn more at [antiquesandgardenshow.com](http://antiquesandgardenshow.com).

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