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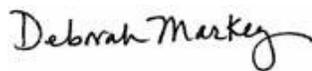
We would like to invite you to be a part of the **Houston Arboretum & Nature Center's annual fundraiser, the Alfresco Gala**. This starlit evening of dining and dancing under the trees will be held on Friday, April 19, 2024 at the Arboretum.

This year, the Arboretum is pleased to honor Marilyn & Harry Kirk for their dedication and love for the Arboretum. Mr. Kirk currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors. He is the Co-Founder, Chairman, and C.E.O. of ACT Pipe & Supply which dates back to 1976. He is a native Texan and his interest in nature has continued throughout his life. A family farm in Brenham and a 6,500-acre ranch in Zavala County, south of Uvalde, provide Harry and Marilyn with hours of birdwatching and admiring wildlife. The Houston Arboretum & Nature Center has been a part of the Kirks' lives since their children were young and has given them many hours of enjoyment. They strive to share their love of nature and are committed to its preservation for future generations. Harry and Marilyn have been strong supporters of the Arboretum, and their commitment has grown over the years. Their generosity has spanned from improvement projects, such as the addition of the Bird Drip at Emmott Circle and replacement of the Lily Pond Deck, as well as participation in special events like ArBOOretum and the Alfresco Gala. The Arboretum is thrilled to be able to celebrate the Kirks at this year's Alfresco Gala and we hope that you will be able to join in the festivities.

The Alfresco Gala will be held outdoors in the Arboretum's spring landscape. The gala is the organization's most important fundraising event of the year and supports the Arboretum's dual mission. For more than five decades, the Arboretum has been a resource for learners of all ages, a green respite in an increasingly developed city, and an innovator in sustainability and landscape restoration. Underwriting opportunities are available at \$25,000, \$15,000, \$10,000, and \$6,000. More details can be found on the subsequent page and on our website. Thank you for your support – can't wait to see you on April 19th!



Sam Pyne
President of the Board



Deborah Markey
Executive Director

HOUSTON ARBORETUM & NATURE CENTER

2024 ALFRESCO GALA

CHAIRS

Annie & Spencer Kerr & Amy & Robert Urquhart

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Marilyn & Harry Kirk

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

Individual or Corporate Name (as you would like it to appear on printed materials)

Address, City, State, Zip

Phone _____ Email _____

I would like to pay by: Check Credit card Website payment | www.houstonarboretum.org/gala

Name as it appears on card

Card number _____ Exp date _____ / _____ CVV _____

\$ _____ Total amount _____ Signature

_____ I wish to remain anonymous _____ I wish to give this gift in honor of: _____

The good faith estimate for the attendance of one guest is \$100. The remaining amount is a fully tax-deductible donation to the Houston Arboretum (74-1587880)

**FILL OUT AND MAIL
COMPLETED FORM TO:**
Houston Arboretum & Nature Center
4501 Woodway, Houston, TX 77024

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OR
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**SCAN AND SEND
COMPLETED FORM TO:**
Chasmine Anderson
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Please consider supporting the Arboretum's many diverse habitats

PRAIRIE | \$25,000
Includes two tables of ten (10) guests each,
an elevated wine experience

RAVINE | \$6,000
Includes one table of eight (8) guests

SAVANNA | \$15,000
Includes one table of twelve (12) guests,
an elevated wine experience

WOODLAND | \$1,000
Includes one (1) individual ticket

WETLAND | \$10,000
Includes one table of ten (10) guests

**Responses must be received by March 8, 2024
to be listed in printed materials.**

**The mission of the
Houston Arboretum &
Nature Center** is to
provide education about
the natural environment
to people of all ages
and to protect and
enhance the Arboretum
as a haven and as a
sanctuary for native
plants and animals.