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**CHIHULY AT CHEEKWOOD OPENS THIS SATURDAY**

*Large-Scale Glass Installations Will Occupy Cheekwood's Estate and Gardens*

**WHAT:** *Chihuly at Cheekwood Opens This Saturday*

**WHERE:** Cheekwood  
1200 Forrest Park Drive  
Nashville, TN 37205

**WHEN:** **Media Preview: Thursday, July 16 | 9 AM – 1 PM**  
**Grand Opening: Saturday, July 18 | 9 AM – 4:30 PM, 5 PM – 10 PM *Chihuly Nights***

Cheekwood is delighted to present *Chihuly at Cheekwood* as a celebration of the 10th anniversary of Chihuly's 2010 blockbuster success at Cheekwood while also commemorating the 60th anniversary of Cheekwood as a public institution. The exhibition will run July 18 – January 10, 2021.

*Chihuly at Cheekwood* will feature large-scale installations in the gardens of the historic estate as well as pedestal works presented in the art galleries. Outdoor installations will include two pieces on the newly renovated Ann & Monroe Carell Jr. Family Sculpture Trail, as well as two new, site-specific works created for this exhibition. A monumental sculpture will be on view in the Frist Learning Center Great Hall.

Visitors may view the exhibition during the daytime as well as during *Chihuly Nights* hours from 5 PM – 10 PM on Thursday through Sunday nights.

To help maintain social distancing, two separate daytime tickets will be sold during *Chihuly at Cheekwood* to minimize the amount of people that are in the Historic Mansion & Museum at one time. The "Gardens Only" ticket will include access to Chihuly in the gardens and the Frist Learning Center. The "Gardens & Mansion with Indoor Chihuly" ticket will give access to the Historic Mansion & Museum including the Chihuly artworks in the galleries and the Chihuly Exhibition Gift Shop. All tickets must be purchased in advance.

All visitors are required to wear cloth face coverings when entering buildings. Cloth face coverings are required in outdoor areas except when maintaining a physical distance of at least six feet from other visitors. Parents are asked to follow CDC guidelines regarding the use of masks for children. For Cheekwood's full visitor guidelines, visit [cheekwood.org](http://cheekwood.org).

## About Dale Chihuly

Dale Chihuly is an American artist noted for revolutionizing the studio glass movement and elevating perceptions of the glass medium. Known for ambitious architectural installations in cities, museums, and gardens around the world, Chihuly utilizes a variety of media to realize his creative vision, including glass, paint, charcoal, neon, ice, and Polyvitro. Chihuly's work is included in more than 200 museum collections worldwide, including Metropolitan Museum of Art, Smithsonian American Art Museum and Corning Museum of Glass. Major exhibitions include *Chihuly Over Venice* (1995-96), *Chihuly in the Light of Jerusalem* (1999), de Young Museum in San Francisco (2008), Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (2011), Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond (2012), Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Montreal, Canada (2013), Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada (2016), and Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, Arkansas (2017.) In addition, *Chihuly Garden and Glass*, a long-term exhibition located at the Seattle Center, opened in 2012. For more information, visit [chihuly.com](http://chihuly.com), [Facebook.com/chihuly](https://www.facebook.com/chihuly) and [@ChihulyStudio](https://www.instagram.com/ChihulyStudio).

## About Cheekwood

Cheekwood is a 55-acre American Country Place Era estate in Nashville, Tennessee. Built in 1929 by the Cheek family who amassed their fortune in part through the Maxwell House Coffee business, the estate was gifted and opened as a public institution in 1960. Today, it features 12 distinct gardens, a woodland sculpture trail, a 7,000-piece permanent art collection, and Georgian-style Mansion with historically furnished rooms and galleries.

Over 225,000 visitors come to Cheekwood annually for year-round seasonal festivals, world-class art exhibitions, breathtaking gardens, and educational and public programs for all ages. A member of the American Public Gardens Association, Cheekwood is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Its mission is to preserve Cheekwood as an historical landmark where beauty and excellence in art and horticulture stimulate the mind and nurture the spirit.

For more information about Cheekwood, visit [www.cheekwood.org](http://www.cheekwood.org).

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