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Claudia Zuazua, Nathalie Lavine, Jane MacLeod, Alberto Gonzales, and Yuri Cunza at NAHCC's 19th Annual Awards at Belmont University

Cheekwood Receives Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's "Bridges" Award

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Last week at the Nashville Area Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's (NAHCC) [19th annual Business & Community Excellence Awards ceremony](#), Cheekwood was recognized for its contributions to the Hispanic community and civic leadership with the *"Bridges" in Art, Culture & Community Service Award*.

"We are passionate about our community here at Cheekwood, and we are humbled to receive this recognition from the NAHCC," **said President & CEO of Cheekwood, Jane MacLeod**. "We are committed to embracing the entire Nashville community and celebrating its many cultures and traditions with events like El Día de los Muertos."

"This award is a tribute to Cheekwood Estate & Gardens for their extraordinary role in connecting and enriching the cultural tapestry of our community," **said Yuri Cunza, NAHCC President & CEO**. "This esteemed recognition acknowledges Cheekwood's unwavering commitment to bridging gaps and fostering unity through the arts, making significant

contributions to the cultural and community landscape of our region. Their dedication to creating a more vibrant and inclusive society is truly commendable."

In addition to offering a wide variety of culturally themed activities, Cheekwood hosts four major celebrations each year, including the largest annual Hispanic celebration in Middle Tennessee, [El Día de los Muertos](#). Click [here](#) to learn more about our programs and buy your tickets to our upcoming events and the 24th annual El Día de los Muertos festival on October 28-29.

About Cheekwood

With its intact and picturesque vistas, Cheekwood is distinguished as one of the leading Country Place Era estates in the nation. Formerly the family home of Mabel and Leslie Cheek, the 1930s estate, with its 30,000-square-foot Mansion and 55-acres of gardens, today serves the public as a botanical garden, arboretum, and art museum with furnished period rooms and galleries devoted to American art from the 18th to mid-20th centuries. The property includes 13 distinct gardens including the Blevins Japanese Garden and the Bracken Foundation Children's Garden, as well as a 1.5-mile woodland trail featuring outdoor monumental sculpture. Each year, Cheekwood hosts seasonal festivals including Cheekwood in Bloom, Summertime at Cheekwood, Cheekwood Harvest and Holiday LIGHTS. Cheekwood is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and nationally as a Level II Arboretum. It is a three-time voted USA Today Top 10 Botanical Garden and in 2021 was recognized by Fodors as one of the 12 Most Beautiful Gardens in the American South. Cheekwood is located eight miles southwest of downtown Nashville at 1200 Forrest Park Drive. It is open Tuesday through Sunday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., with extended days and hours of operation depending on the season. Visit cheekwood.org for current hours and to purchase advance tickets required for admission.

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