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STANFORD BLOOD CENTER AND CANTOR ARTS CENTER AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY PARTNER TO BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY

STANFORD, Calif. —[Stanford Blood Center](#) invites the public to view a special installation at the [Cantor Arts Center at Stanford University](#) and to donate blood this summer. This unique exhibition, entitled [“Spared from the Storm: Masterworks from the New Orleans Museum of Art”](#) showcases 80 pieces of world-class art that escaped the devastation of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. In keeping with the focus on surviving tragedy, Stanford Blood Center’s bloodmobile will be on location at Cantor Arts Center on selected Thursday evenings. Art lovers and members of the community are encouraged to donate blood as a way to offer a lifeline to patients in local hospitals—especially now. Due to unusually high demand, Stanford Blood Center is experiencing a critical shortage of type O negative blood. “The museum has been serving Stanford and the community for more than a century. This blood drive gives us an opportunity to serve in a new way, and it is timely as we present 'Spared from the Storm' and prepare for disasters here,” said Cantor Arts Center Operations Manager Steve Green.

The Cantor Arts Center's diverse collections span continents, cultures, and 5,000 years of art history. The museum has withstood natural disasters and periodic neglect, only to be resurrected, renewed, and expanded, with its collections stronger than ever, thanks to the passionate dedication of Stanford faculty and staff, and art lovers in the surrounding community. It is with a shared compassion for this community that Cantor Arts Center and Stanford Blood Center have teamed up to provide the unique combination of viewing amazing works of art and donating blood. “We are honored to be a part of the ‘Spared from the Storm’ experience,” said Stanford Blood Center Marketing Director John Williams. “Attendees will definitely be impacted by the amazing survival story of this collection, and Stanford Blood Center’s aim is to provide them with an effective way to give life and hope to patients in local hospitals,” Williams said. The bloodmobile will be on location at Cantor Arts Center’s Rodin Sculpture Garden from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. on the following Thursdays: June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, August 7, and September 4.

Donors can call Stanford Blood Center at (650) 723-7831 or toll-free (888) 723-7831 to make an appointment. Donors should be in good health with no cold or flu symptoms. They must eat well prior to donation, drink fluids and present photo identification at the time of donation. The process takes about an hour. For more information or to schedule an appointment online, please visit <http://bloodcenter.stanford.edu>. Drop-in donors will be accepted for any times open on the schedule.

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