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The Whitney to Open Seven Days a Week in July and August

Summer Hours include Tuesdays, 10:30 am to 6 pm

Extended hours continue on Fridays and Saturdays, 10:30 am to 10 pm

NEW YORK, June 24, 2016 –The Whitney Museum of American Art will be open to the public seven days a week during the months of July and August. Ordinarily closed on Tuesdays, the Museum will be open during these summer months from 10:30 am to 6 pm Sunday through Thursday, and will continue to offer late-night hours until 10 pm on Friday and Saturday. Friday evenings from 7 to 10pm continue to be pay-what-you-wish.

The Museum's summer exhibitions include *Human Interest: Portraits from the Whitney's Collection* (on two floors), *Mirror Cells*, *Stuart Davis: In Full Swing*, *Danny Lyon: Message to the Future*, *June Leaf: Thought Is Infinite (through July 17)*, *Virginia Overton: Sculpture Gardens*, and, opening on July 26, *Sophia Al-Maria: Black Friday*. Public programs include theatrical performances by Jill Kroesen and conversations featuring artist Nina Chanel Abney, curator and scholar Lowery Stokes Sims, and Congressman John Lewis, as well as film screenings, and a host of family and youth programs. For further information, visit whitney.org.

About the Whitney

The Whitney Museum of American Art, founded in 1930 by the artist and philanthropist Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney (1875–1942), houses the foremost collection of American art from the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Mrs. Whitney, an early and ardent supporter of modern American art, nurtured groundbreaking artists at a time when audiences were still largely preoccupied with the Old Masters. From her vision arose the Whitney Museum of American Art, which has been championing the most innovative art of the United States for more than eighty years. The core of the Whitney's mission is to collect, preserve, interpret, and exhibit American art of our time and serve a wide variety of audiences in celebration of the complexity and diversity of art and culture in the United States. Through this mission and a steadfast commitment to artists themselves, the Whitney has long been a powerful force in support of modern and contemporary art and continues to help define what is innovative and influential in American art today.

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