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Art and Design VIP's Host Auction to Save 2 Columbus Circle

WHAT: Art and design luminaries will host a **cocktail party and auction** to save **2 Columbus Circle**, the former **Gallery of Modern Art** designed by modernist architect **Edward Durell Stone** for **A&P heir Huntington Hartford** and built in 1964.

Sotheby's VP **James Zemaitis** will serve as auctioneer for exclusive items, including a **1952 foot stool** designed by Edward Durell Stone and manufactured by Fulbright Industries (the company of U.S. Senator **James William Fulbright**) in Fayetteville, Arkansas. The first of its kind to be auctioned, the stool uniquely synthesizes craft traditions with modern design values. Other auction items include an **early study sketch of 2 Columbus Circle** by Stone; a signed, archival print by architectural photographer **Ezra Stoller**; a first print of Edward Durell Stone's autobiography, inscribed by the author to his friend, architect **Buckminster Fuller**; an original catalogue from the 1964 opening of Huntington Hartford's Gallery of Modern Art; and two **Jonathan Adler** vases inspired by 2 Columbus Circle.

WHO: Host committee includes: craftsman **Jonathan Adler**; designers **Jeffrey Bilhuber** and **Michael Formica**; artist **Chuck Close**; Knoll CEO **Andrew Cogan**; photographers **Bob Hiemstra** and **Todd Eberle**; collector **Barbara Jakobson**; Elle Décor editor **Carlos Mota**; landscape architect **Ken Smith**; architects **Michael Sorkin**, **Robert A.M. Stern**, **Hicks Stone** (son of Edward Durell Stone) and **Alan Wanzenberg**; man of letters **Tom Wolfe**; and preservation group **LANDMARK WEST!**

WHEN: **Tuesday, June 29, 2004**
Cocktails at **6:00 PM**; auction begins at **7:30 PM**

WHERE: **Liz O'Brien 20th-Century Decorative Arts Gallery**
800A Fifth Avenue (at 61st Street)

RSVP: **212-496-8110** or go to **www.save2columbus.org**
Tickets start at \$150 per person