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FRIENDS OF THE BARNES RALLY AT ART OF THE STEAL OPENING FOR TRUTH AND PERMANENT PRESERVATION OF THE BARNES IN MERION

(MERION STATION, PA; Feb. 26, 2010) Friends of the Barnes Foundation continue the quest for permanent preservation of the Barnes Foundation in Merion, with a rocket boost from the riveting documentary "The Art of the Steal," opening today in Philadelphia and New York.

The Friends will rally supporters just prior to the film screening at the Ritz Five this evening. Among those attending will be United States Congressman for the 6th District Jim Gerlach, a longtime supporter of permanent preservation of the Barnes Foundation in its historic Merion setting. Here are the details:

When:	Friday, February 26, 2010 at 6:45 pm
Where:	Near the Ritz Five Theater at 214 Walnut Street, Philadelphia
Who:	Friends of the Barnes Foundation Steering Committee and supporters, including
	United States Congressman for the 6 th District Jim Gerlach
What:	The plan to dismantle the Barnes Foundation must be stopped, replaced by permanent
	preservation of the intact Merion site as a national cultural treasure for future
	generations.

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