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## **Campus Philly and the Barnes Foundation to Host Free College Night for Philadelphia-Area Students on Friday, November 8**

*The annual event includes free access to the Barnes collection and special exhibition, 30 Americans, complimentary snacks, and live breakdance performances by Hip Hop Fundamentals*

**PHILADELPHIA, PA (November 5, 2019)** – [Campus Philly](#), college students' go-to resource for living, learning, and launching their careers in Philadelphia, is collaborating with the [Barnes Foundation](#) to host the fifth annual College Night at the Barnes on Friday, November 8 from 7 to 9pm. This year's event, [College Night: Planet Rock](#), offers Philadelphia-area college students free admission to the Barnes, including access to the world-renowned Barnes collection and [30 Americans](#)—a groundbreaking exhibition drawn from the acclaimed Rubell Family Collection and featuring works by many of the most important and influential African American artists of the past four decades—plus live breakdance performances by Hip Hop Fundamentals, a DJ spinning hip-hop favorites, free [Tastykake](#) and other Philly-themed snacks, and an interactive scavenger hunt.

College Night at the Barnes will feature the beats and breaks of pioneers like DJ Kool Herc, Grandmaster Flash, the Sugarhill Gang, and Afrika Bambaataa. Students are encouraged to dress in theme with the decade, though dressing up is not required. Students can sign up for the free event at: [barnescollegenight2019.eventbrite.com](http://barnescollegenight2019.eventbrite.com).

"Campus Philly's College Nights are exclusive experiences we produce for college students to introduce them for free to some of Philadelphia's best places," said Campus Philly President Deborah Diamond. "Our annual event with the Barnes Foundation is our most popular College Night, and for good reason—it's more than just an evening of free exhibits and free snacks. It's a night out in Philadelphia, exploring a new neighborhood, and connecting with the city in a unique way alongside more than 500 students from colleges and universities across the region."

With so much to see and do in the Fairmount and Art Museum areas, Campus Philly invites students to explore these neighborhoods after the event concludes at 9pm, and has rounded up some of the top spots in the [Campus Philly Insider](#), which is distributed to 80,000 students annually.

College Night at the Barnes Foundation marks the end of the fall 2019 semester's series of free College Nights for Philadelphia-area students, which also included an evening at Philadelphia Orchestra, a board game night at Thirsty Dice, and the Festival for International Students at the Penn Museum. Campus Philly's comprehensive listing of free and discounted museums, performances, and activities for college students can be accessed at [CampusPhilly.org/Deals](http://CampusPhilly.org/Deals).

**Campus Philly**, a nonprofit organization founded in 2004, is supporting economic growth in the Greater Philadelphia region by encouraging college students to study, explore, live, and work here. Visit our [website](#) to learn more, or connect with us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

## **ABOUT THE BARNES FOUNDATION**

The Barnes Foundation is a nonprofit cultural and educational institution that shares its unparalleled art collection with the public, organizes special exhibitions, and presents programming that fosters new ways of thinking about human creativity. The Barnes collection is displayed in ensembles that integrate art and objects from across cultures and time periods, overturning traditional hierarchies and revealing universal elements of human expression. Home to one of the world's finest collections of impressionist, post-impressionist, and Modern paintings—including the largest groups of paintings by Pierre-Auguste Renoir and Paul Cézanne in existence—the Barnes brings together renowned canvases by Henri Matisse, Pablo Picasso, Amedeo Modigliani, and Vincent van Gogh, alongside African, Asian, ancient and medieval art as well as metalwork, furniture, and decorative art.

The Barnes Foundation was established by Dr. Albert C. Barnes in 1922 to “promote the advancement of education and the appreciation of the fine arts and horticulture.” Since moving to Philadelphia in 2012, the Barnes has expanded its commitment to teaching visual literacy in groundbreaking ways, investing in original scholarship relating to its collection, and enhancing accessibility throughout every facet of its program. [More information.](#)

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