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UAM Has Pre-Opening

The cognoscenti came out for this one. The Paul & Lulu Hilliard Art Museum entertained its invitation-only guests with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, officially opening its fall exhibitions. Hosting the event was an entire collection of couples — Jim and Jenny Cole, Joel and Janet Gooch, Randy and Daynese Haynie, Larry and Jeannie Kreamer, Warren and Jeanette Rush, and Jim and Lise Anne Slatten. “We’d gotten involved in the Hilliard Society,” explained host Jim Slatten. “It’s a good way to branch out.” E.J. Savoie delivered a few formal remarks of his own while museum supporters enjoyed a VIP view of “Finding Freedom in Russian Art,” bleaker-than-a-Moscow-winter Through Soviet Jewish Eyes: Photography, War, and the Holocaust, and Philip Gould’s cheerier festival photographs across the courtyard.