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# WELCOME!

Dear Friends,

The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to welcome you to this year's Summer Garden Party: Member Appreciation & Board Installation. This evening provides the opportunity to recognize, honor, and celebrate our members as well as to introduce our Board of Directors and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the upcoming year.

The Chamber is fortunate to lead a world-class community of the most unique and innovative businesses. Thank you to the many member businesses that made this event possible - from the event sponsors, to the providers of our culinary, beverages, and entertainment experiences.

An involved Chamber membership creates a strong, vibrant organization and business community. We encourage you to be an active part of our Chamber by attending events, programs, and getting involved in one of the various committees.

Thank you for being a member of the Beverly Hills Chamber. We are excited for a very strong and successful year ahead.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Chapman  
Senior Director, Commercial Banking - SVP Regional  
Manager, Torrey Pines Bank  
2022 - 2023 Chair of the Board

David Mirharooni  
Principal, Brickstar Capital LLC  
2023 - 2024 Chair of the Board





# ORDER OF EVENTS

5 PM - Evening Begins

5:10 PM - Welcome Remarks by Chamber President & CEO Todd Johnson

5:25 PM - Year in Review Remarks by 2022-2023 Board Chair Kathleen Chapaman

5:30 PM - Presentation of Certificate by Beverly Hills Mayor Julian Gold, MD

5:35 PM - Installation of the 102nd Chamber Board Chair David Mirharooni

5:40 PM - Year Ahead Remarks by 2023-2024 Board Chair David Mirharooni

5:45 PM - Installation of the 2023-2024 Chamber Board



## CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Kathleen M. Chapman, Torrey Pines Bank (2022-2023 Chair)  
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### WINE VILLA

Avra's stylish private dining room perched above the main dining area. This intimate space is perfect for celebrations or lively business gatherings. Curtains enclosed the space for ultimate privacy.

SEATING CAPACITY: 36

RECEPTION CAPACITY: 50

### NORTH TERRACE

Dine al fresco on our street-side terrace. This semi-private table looks out onto Beverly Drive. The area is covered by an awning to keep guests cool in the Summer. Infrared heaters keep guests warm in the Winter.

SEATING CAPACITY: 16



### ART VILLA

Open, airy and light. Luxurious banquettes and a 25-foot salt art piece frame this elegant room. This area can be connected to the North Terrace for additional seating or outdoor cocktail reception space.

SEATING CAPACITY: 100

RECEPTION CAPACITY: 150



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Located in a discrete area of the restaurant, this space is ideal for functions that require a quiet environment. Audio-visual equipment exists within the room for business presentations or sharing of personal videos and photos.

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