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## Welcome

**Arnold Lehman:** I'm Arnold Lehman, Director of the Brooklyn Museum, and it is my great pleasure to welcome you to *The Dinner Party*, the iconic centerpiece of the Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminist Art. Created by Judy Chicago in collaboration with hundreds of volunteers, *The Dinner Party* was first exhibited in 1979 and has since been seen by more than one million people throughout the world. With the opening of the Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminist Art in March 2007, the first space of its kind in the country, *The Dinner Party* is now at home at the Brooklyn Museum. We are grateful to our trustee Dr. Elizabeth A. Sackler and the Elizabeth A. Sackler Foundation for this remarkable and transformative gift to the Brooklyn Museum.

**Elizabeth A. Sackler:** *The Dinner Party* is a launching pad, to me, of women's history in all disciplines. And it offers the public an opportunity to really see the contributions—the major contributions—of women in all fields throughout time. To have that as the center for the Center for Feminist Art, to me, is perfect.

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