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Scene City: The Met Celebrates New Works

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At the Metropolitan Museum gala, from left: Samantha Boardman, Gina Peterson, Dasha Zhukova, Ann Tenenbaum and Amy Griffin; John Holiday, who performed; and Christy Turlington Burns, center left, and Ed Burns, center right. Below from left: Mark Guiducci with Anna Wintour; and Antwaun Sargent, Lorna Simpson and Jeremy O. Harris.



Black Ties Greet Suits of Armor

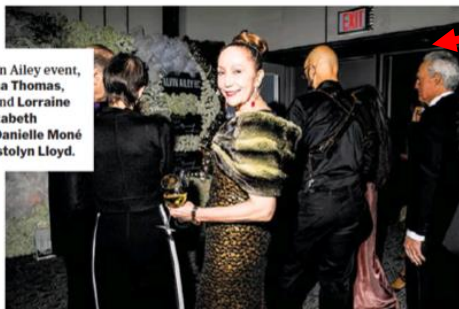
At a black-tie gala on Dec. 7, the Metropolitan Museum of Art honored its new acquisitions, including Ronald S. Lauder's promised gift of historic armor. The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater celebrated Robert Battle's 10 years as artistic director at its opening night gala at the Ziegfeld Ballroom on Dec. 1. And the New York Philharmonic held a concert and benefit dinner at Lincoln Center on Dec. 2. DENNY LEE



At the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater gala, from left: Bennett Rink and Robert Battle; Julia Stiles and Nia Dennis; and Joan Weill with Sandy Weill.



Also at the Alvin Ailey event, from left: Nasha Thomas, Brent Carter and Lorraine Toussaint; Elizabeth Mirante; and Danielle Moné Truitt with Kristolyn Lloyd.



At the New York Philharmonic benefit, from left: Oscar Tang, Agnes Hsu-Tang and Deborah Borda; the orchestra taking the stage; and Katherine Boulud, Margo Niederlander, Oscar Schafer, James Niederlander, Didi Schafer and Daniel Boulud.



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