



*A Benefit to Support Preservation Long Island
Thursday, October 29, 2020, 6:30–8:30 pm
TWA FLIGHT CENTER, Now the TWA Hotel at JFK*



The Trans World Airline Flight Center (now the TWA Hotel) at John F. Kennedy International Airport is an icon of mid-century modern architecture and an inspiration for successful large-scale historic preservation and adaptive reuse projects. Opened in 1962, it was designed for TWA's then-owner, Howard Hughes, by world-renowned architect, Eero Saarinen, who employed a daring use of high-tech glass curtain wall and curvilinear concrete construction to evoke the spirit of flight in the jet age.

By the late 1990s, the terminal was all but abandoned when advocates from across New York City and beyond began to rally for its preservation. In 2002, the Port Authority commissioned Beyer Blinder Bell Architects and Planners to guide the building's restoration. In 2014, MCR/Morse Development took the restored Flight Center to the next level, making it the center of a state-of-the-art hotel and event complex.

Opened in 2019, the award-winning TWA Hotel is now a destination in itself. Located at the airport's Terminal 5, it is easily accessed by the Air Train via clearly marked directions at the Jamaica Long Island Rail Road Station. Those who choose to drive may take advantage of Hotel valet parking at \$15.00.

Preservation Long Island June 2020 Benefit guests can enjoy the following post-party TWA Hotel attractions:

- New-York Historical Society curated exhibits on TWA, the Jet Age and Mid-century Modernism
- Jean George's Paris Café for dinner
- The "Connie" cocktail lounge for drinks
- A roof top lounge and pool
- A hotel stay with a special 10% discount on the variable room rate
- The Jet Blue terminal for a quick vacation getaway

