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Vizcaya Announces Completion of Sutri Fountain Restoration Funded by \$500,000 Tiffany & Co. Foundation Grant

Miami, Florida – February 26, 2013 –Through the generous support of The Tiffany & Co. Foundation, Vizcaya Museum and Gardens has completed restoration of its magnificent 18th century Sutri Fountain. Vizcaya, the bayside winter mansion built in the 1910s by businessman James Deering, is a National Historic Landmark and AAM-accredited museum.

In support of its mission to preserve the natural heritage that distinguishes great urban centers, The Tiffany & Co. Foundation awarded \$500,000 to The Vizcayans, on behalf of Vizcaya Museum and Gardens, for the restoration of the Sutri Fountain and surrounding garden elements in which it resides. Vizcaya is a subtropical interpretation of a classic Italian villa with ten acres of formal gardens.

“This grant increases the Foundation’s support for the beautification of urban parks and gardens throughout the country,” said Fernanda Kellogg, Chair of the Board of The Tiffany & Co. Foundation. “We recognize the role that green spaces and cultural sites plays in lifting spirits and providing a sanctuary of natural beauty and elegance in the midst of urban life, and we are very pleased to partner with these organizations in creating new environments.”

Vizcaya’s travertine Sutri Fountain was acquired by Deering and Paul Chalfin, Vizcaya’s artistic director, in December 1914 in Rome, dismantled, crated and exported to the United States.

In order to make the fountain visually more imposing, Paul Chalfin placed it in a larger basin and added a metal finial at the top, enhancing its visibility from distant view points in the garden. With these additions, Chalfin adapted an object conceived for an urban space of limited proportions to a monumental focal point for an outdoor environment which was itself just an element of a larger and more complex formal garden.

Vizcaya will recognize The Tiffany & Co. Foundation at its 5th Annual Preservation Luncheon on Tuesday, February 26, 2013.

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About Vizcaya Museum & Gardens

Built by agricultural industrialist James Deering in 1916, Vizcaya Museum & Gardens, a National Historic Landmark, features a main house, ten acres of formal gardens, a subtropical hardwood hammock and mangrove shore. Vizcaya Museum & Gardens, located at 3251 South Miami Avenue, is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.vizcaya.org or call 305-250-9133.

About The Tiffany & Co. Foundation

Established in 2000, The Tiffany & Co. Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations working in two main program areas: the environment and the arts. The Foundation’s environmental conservation program

promotes responsible mining, healthy marine ecosystems and the enhancement of urban environments. In addition, the Foundation fosters design excellence by supporting organizations dedicated to the field of design and the decorative arts. For more information on The Tiffany & Co. Foundation, please visit www.tiffanyandcofoundation.org.