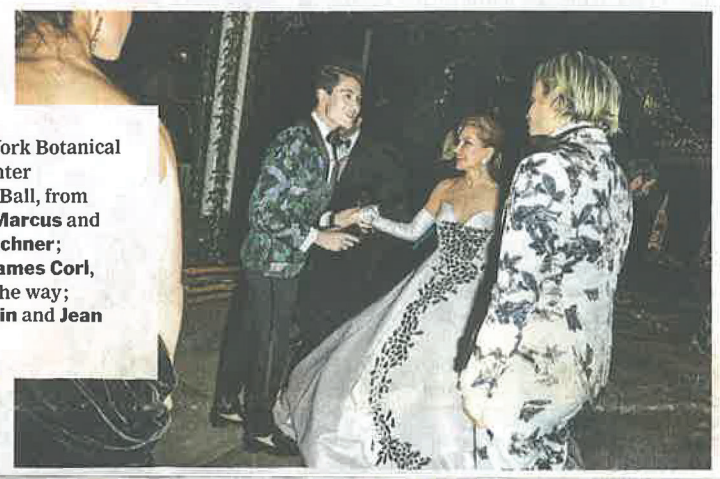
At the Metropolitan Museum of Art benefit, from left: **Michael R. Bloomberg**; music for cocktails; and **Leelee Sobieski**. Below, from left: **Leonard Lauder** with **Judith Lauder**; and **Lulu C. Wang**, a museum trustee.

Some Philanthropy To End the Year

The philanthropic set capped off 2017 with the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Acquisitions Fund Benefit on Dec. 14. The Berggruen Institute awarded Baroness Onoro O'Neill with its $1 million Berggruen Prize for Philosophy and Culture at the New York Public Library on the same evening. And the New York Botanical Garden held its 19th annual Winter Wonderland Ball at the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory on Dec. 15. More photos at nytimes.com/styles. *DENNY LEE*

At the Berggruen Institute event, from left: **Baroness Onoro O'Neill**, winner of the Berggruen Prize for Philosophy and Culture, interviewed by **Fareed Zakaria**; **Nicolas Berggruen**, **Jeff Koons** and **Wendi Deng Murdoch**; and **Kwame Anthony Appiah**, left, Mr. Zakaria, center, and **Arianna Huffington**, right.

At the New York Botanical Garden's Winter Wonderland Ball, from left: **Laurel Marcus** and **Marilyn Kirschner**; **Krista and James Corl**, with one on the way; **Larry Milstein** and **Jean Shafiroff**.



Also at the New York Botanical Garden event, from left: **Alex Assouline**, a co-chairman of the ball, with **Ezra William** and **Michaela Vybohova**; **Peter Brant Jr.**, right, another co-chairman; and some serious dance-floor moves.

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