



Jay Sweet, Christian McBride and Jeff Bowlby



Christian McBride and Herbie Hancock perform



Elizabeth and Earl McMillen, Elizabeth Kahane and Jonna Cheung

## Newport Festivals Foundation Ninth Annual Gala

When your event is sponsored by Newport Festivals Foundation (the force behind the Newport Jazz and Folk Festivals), it's a pretty good bet the entertainment is going to be first-rate. That was certainly the case at the festival's annual gala at Ochre Court, where nearly 300 guests were treated to performances by jazz legends Herbie Hancock and Christian McBride (who also serves as the artistic director of Newport Jazz). The \$535,000 raised that evening will help support music education programs in Newport and across the nation. 🍷 *Photography by Brian Lima*



George Wein and Congressman Jim Langevin



Linda Perry and Cheryl McCarthy

## Museum of Newport Irish History Shamrocks & Seashells

The sound of Michael O'Connor's bagpipe drifted through the crowd as the Museum of Newport Irish History kicked off its 10th annual benefit, Shamrocks & Seashells, at Easton's Beach. Members of the sellout crowd indulged in rides atop the vintage carousel before retreating to the Rotunda Ballroom for food and drinks from Kitchen Companion Catering and traditional Irish music from The Exiles. Acclaimed Irish step-dancer Kevin Doyle wowed the crowd with his footwork, and the silent auction wowed the museum by bringing in record sums to help fund exhibitions and operating expenses, and bolster the endowment fund. 🍷 *Photography by Allan Millora*



Brian and Patricia Hotchkiss



Anna Duffy, Nancy Andrade and Gail Alofsin



Sheila and Dr. Charley Collins