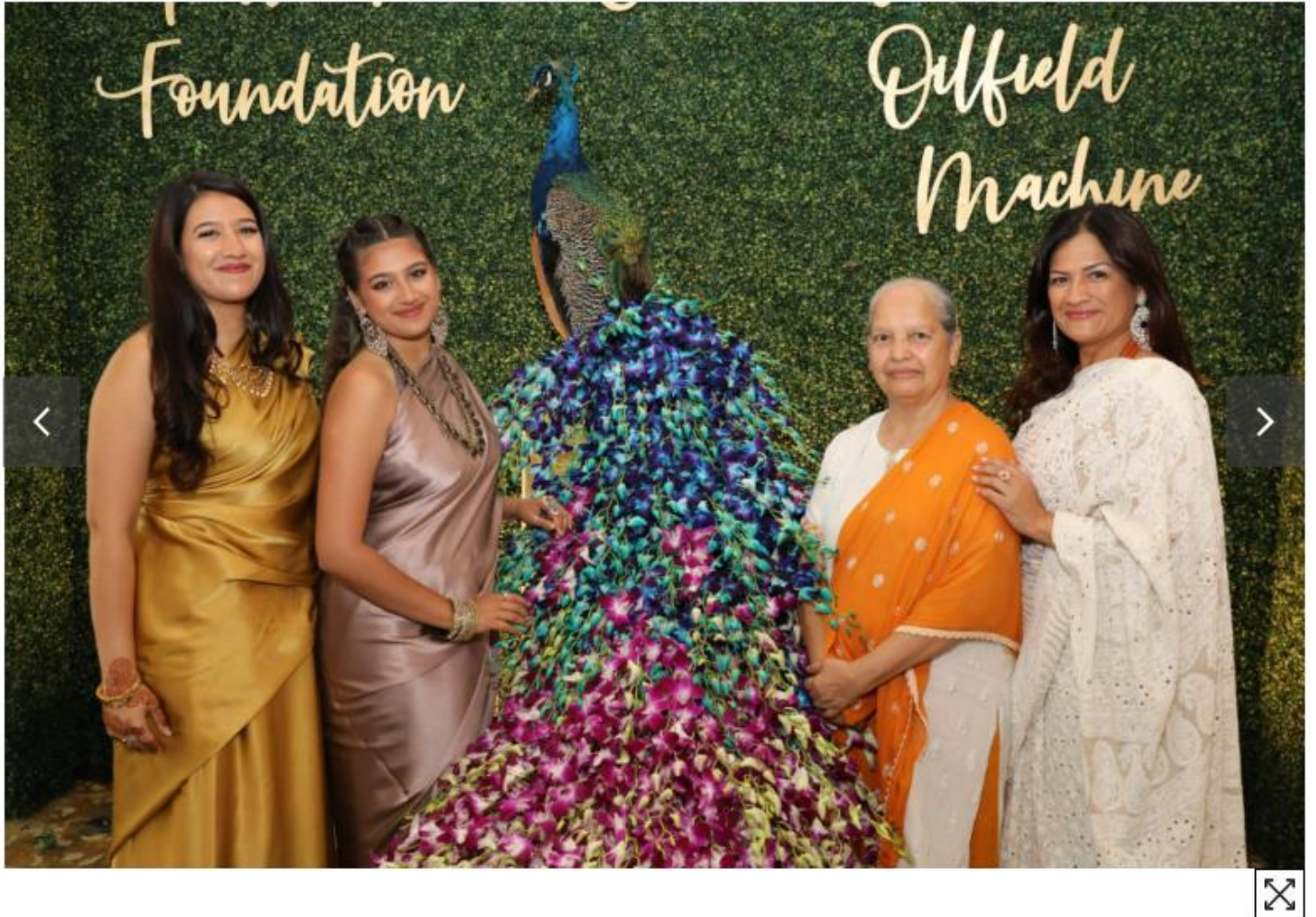


Wrapping Up Houston's Party Season — 11 Society Events That Captured Attention Before the City's Great Summer Exodus

So Many Parties, So Few Free Nights

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Hostesses for the 11th annual Houston Sweethearts celebration tea Warner Roberts, Sylvia Forsythe, Deborah Duncan, Alicia Smith, and Kim Moody (Photo by Daniel Ortiz)

So many parties, so little time. It's the same story every April/May when nonprofits scurry to lasso every dollar they can manage before the great summer exodus, when those with pockets deep enough to make major contributions are also wealthy enough to head to their vacation homes, leaving Houston fundraisers to aim at another tier of benefactors.

Since the start of May this scribe has told the tale of more than 50 charity events. Some were as wildly successful as the [JDRF Promise Ball](#) and [Memorial Hermann Foundation gala](#), both of which raised \$3.7 million. Some were as hip-hop trendy as the Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston's [Secret Underground gala](#). Several targeted the city's young professionals such as Houston Botanic Garden's [The Secret Garden Party](#).

While we simply couldn't write a full story for every fundraiser that took place this spring, a number of them definitely captured *PaperCity's* attention. This is your Houston party season wrap-up roundup: