



AKSIA PALOOZA 2023

FEBRUARY 8TH – 9TH

ETC. VENUES – 360 MADISON
360 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017

Wednesday February 8, 2023

8:00 Registration and Breakfast

Ice Ice Baby (Vanilla Ice, 1990)

8:30 What's New at Aksia?

Opening remarks and welcome to Palooza 2023.

Presenter: **Jim Vos**, CEO

No Rain (Blind Melon, 1992)

8:45 View of a Titan

A look at the macroeconomic environment and what is keeping investors up at night.

Presenter: **Paul Singer**, President, Elliott Management

Moderated by: **Harshal Chaudhari**, CIO, General Electric

Everybody's Free (Rozalla, 1991)

9:15 Trends in Private Market Valuations

Over the past several quarters, private valuations have remained relatively stable against the backdrop of declining public markets. We will explore approaches to managing valuation mismatches and the implications on different types of investors.

Presenters: **Stijn G. Van Nieuwerburgh**, Earle W. Kazis and Benjamin Schore Professor of Real Estate, Columbia University, Graduate School of Business

Dr. Cindy Ma, Managing Director, Global Head of Portfolio Valuation and Fund Advisory Services, Houlihan Lokey; and

Gustavo Schwed, Clinical Professor of Finance and Professor of Management Practice, Stern School of Business

Moderated by: **Dan Quiat**, Head of Private Markets Risk

10:00 Coffee Break

Bitter Sweet Symphony (The Verve, 1997)

10:30 Keynote Interview

Presenter: **Mark Carney**, Former Governor of the Bank of England, Vice Chair and Head of Transition Investing, Brookfield

Moderated by: **Jim Vos**, CEO

I Want Candy (Bow Wow Wow, 1982)

11:00 Private Credit: An Expanding Frontier

Private Credit has emerged as an institutionalized asset class in the period post-GFC era. With rising rates, do attractive opportunities remain? What gets investors excited about Private Credit today?

Presenters: **Tina Suo**, Head of Alternative Credit, Office of the New York City Comptroller; and **Julia Mord**, Deputy CIO, Tulane University Investment Management Office;

Moderated by: **Tod Trabocco**, Managing Director, Private Credit Strategist



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Who Let the Dogs Out (Baha Men, 2000)

11:30 Where to Invest Your Tech Dollars

Investors have long been focused on investing in the technology sector. We will assess the current tech opportunity set through a private equity, venture capital, private credit and hedge fund lens.

Presenters: Kerstin Dittmar, Managing Partner & Founder, L2 Point;

Alex Finkelstein, Co-founder & General Partner, Spark Capital;

Kyle Ryland, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Sumeru Equity Partners; and

Gaurav Kapadia, Founder & CEO, XN

Moderated by: Trevor Jackson, MD Portfolio Advisory

12:15 pm Lunch

All Right Now (Free, 1970)

1:15 pm Questions from the Box- Hedge Funds

An in depth look into Aksia's Hedge Fund House Views and an opportunity to ask questions of the authors of our annual asset class outlooks. As the name suggests, we will be garnering questions using a question box!

Presenters: Norman Kilarjian, Head of Macro and Quant Strategies;

Joe Larucci, Head of Equity Strategies;

Oliver Newton, Head of Hedge Funds; and

Brian Goldberg, Managing Director, Head of Event Driven & Multi-Strategy

Moderated by: Marina Filkin, Vice President

Making Our Dreams Come True (Cyndi Grecco, 1976)

1:35 pm Emerging Manager Shark Tank

Shark Tank-style presentations by several emerging & niche managers across a variety of hedge fund and private market strategies. Presentations are to be followed by questions from an LP panel of Sharks.

Presenters: George Yong, Partner, Ara Partners;

Michelle Dipp, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Biospring Partners;

Paul Froning, Principal & Co-Founder, Focus Healthcare Partners;

Adam Katz, Co-Founder & CIO, Irenic Capital Management

Colin Meadows, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, o15 Capital Partners

Joe Benavides, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, OceanSound Partners

Robert China, Principal, Three Line Capital

Sharks: Jeremy Held, Managing Director, Bow River;

Stacy Jennings, Vice President and Chief Investment Officer, Intermountain Healthcare; and

Antonio Rodriguez, Director of Investment Strategy, NYC BERS

Moderated by Patrick Adelsbach, Co-Head Advisory Americas

2:50 pm Coffee Break



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We're Not Gonna Take It (Twisted Sister, 1984)

3:20 pm Private Capital in Sports

We'll examine the increased prevalence of private markets capital investment in sports from the perspective of investors and sports market specialist.

*Presenters: **Jim Miller**, Partner, Ares;*

***Ian Charles**, Founder and Managing Partner, Arctos; and*

***Mike Forde**, Executive Chairman, Sportsology*

*Moderated by: **Dimitri Grechenko**, Managing Director, Maryland State Retirement and Pension System*

You Spin Me Round (Like a Record) (Dead or Alive, 1985)

4:05 pm Questions from the Box- Private Equity

An in depth look into Aksia's Private Equity House Views and an opportunity to ask questions of the authors of our annual asset class outlooks. As the name suggests, we will be garnering questions using a question box!

*Presenters: **Jeff Goldberger**, Managing Director, Head of U.S. Middle Market Buyouts;*

***Kyson Hawkins**, Managing Director, Head of Private Equity Co-Investments*

***Kevin Hitchen**, Managing Director, Head of Large Cap Buyouts and Private Equity Structuring; and*

***Chris Thorne**, Managing Director, Head of European Private Equity & Real Assets*

*Moderated by: **Armando Acosta**, MD, Portfolio Advisory*

You Get What You Give (New Radicals, 1999)

4:30 pm Investing with a Blank Canvas and Other Lessons in Portfolio Construction

We will examine the experience of three allocators making investment decisions for de novo or newer portfolios and look to highlight the potential benefits as well as the challenges that may arise along the way.

*Presenters: **Habiba Waziruddin**, Investment Director, Hackensack Meridian Health;*

***Wendy Li**, Managing Director, Investments, Mother Cabrini Health Foundation; and*

***Helen Pham**, Portfolio Manager, Private Investments, TTCPP*

*Moderated by: **Michelle Davidson**, Co-Head Advisory Americas*

Cupid Shuffle (Cupid, 2007)

5:15 pm Networking Cocktails

6:15 pm Informal Aksia Dinners



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867-5309 / Jenny (Tommy Tutone, 1981)

9:00 Welcome to Day 2

Video Killed the Radio Star (The Buggles, 1979)

9:05 How Data Impacts Real-Time Decisions: LP Stories

Data is becoming an increasingly prevalent component in investing. We will hear about real life scenarios and about how LPs are using data to better inform their investment decision making process.

Presenters: **Simon Garfield**, MD, Portfolio Advisory; and
Dan Quiat, Head of Private Markets Risk

Lullaby (Shawn Mullins, 1998)

9:20 Morning Keynote

Presenter: **Admiral James Stavridis**, Vice Chair, Global Affairs, The Carlyle Group

Whip It (DEVO, 1980)

9:50 The Life Story of Company X

A case study on the various points of ownership of Hertz.

Presenters: **John Zito**, Partner and Deputy CIO Private Credit, Apollo;
Ryan Brinkman, Lead Automotive Equity Research Analyst, J.P. Morgan; and
Tom Wagner, Co-Founder, Knighthood Capital Management
Moderated by: **Oliver Newton**, Head of Hedge Funds

10:20 Coffee Break

How Bizarre (OMC, 1995)

10:40 Questions from the Box- Real Estate

An in depth look into Aksia's Real Estate House Views and an opportunity to ask questions of the authors of our annual asset class outlooks. As the name suggests, we will be garnering questions using a question box!

Presenters: **Dan Krivinkas**, Head of Real Estate; and
Mark Bartmann, Managing Director, Real Estate
Moderated by: **Ben Bronson**, Senior Portfolio Advisor

Call Me Maybe (Carly Rae Jepsen, 2012)

11:00 LP Panel on Recruiting, Hiring and Retention

An open conversation on the opportunities and challenges that exist in investment-focused organizations given a new hybrid work model and evolving workplace considerations

Presenters: **Abigail Archibald**, Senior Portfolio Manager, Mellon Foundation;
Robin Clifford, Private Equity, New Jersey Division of Investment; and
Shanta Chary, Director of Investments, Orange County Retirement System



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Moderated by: **Jaclyn Swergold**, Director of Human Resources

This Is How We Do It (Montell Jordan, 1995)

11:40 Create Your Own Adventure: An Inside Look Into Operational Due Diligence

Presenters: **Simon Fludgate**, Head of Operational Due Diligence;
Rebecca Heun, Managing Director, Operational Due Diligence;
Chris Conneely, Director, Operational Due Diligence; and
Kaitlin Spillane, Director, Operational Due Diligence

12:30 pm Lunch

Hot Child in the City (Nick Gilder, 1978)

1:30 pm Single Family Rentals

Investment in single family rentals has long been a core strategy in real estate portfolio but has become polarizing in recent years. We will hear from investors on both sides.

Presenters: **Josh Pristaw**, Senior Managing Director and Head of Real Estate, Pretium;
Sam Caven, Managing Director, Starwood Capital Group; and
Anthony McGill, Head of Investment Banking, Walker & Dunlop
Moderated by: **Scott Krouse**, Managing Director

The Freshmen (The Verve Pipe, 1996)

2:00pm Questions from the Box- Real Assets

An in depth look into Aksia's Real Assets House Views and an opportunity to ask questions of the authors of our annual asset class outlooks. As the name suggests, we will be garnering questions using a question box!

Presenters: **Tom Martin**, Global Head of Private Equity & Real Assets; and
Nic DiLoretta, Managing Director, Head of Real Assets
Moderated by: **Melissa Grant**, Senior Portfolio Advisor

It Takes Two (Rob Base & DJ E-Z Rock, 1988)

2:20 pm Fireside Chat with Jennifer Choi, CEO of ILPA

Moderated by: **Mike Krems**, Private Equity Portfolio Strategies

2:50 pm Coffee Break



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Stand by Me (Ben E. King, 1961)

3:25 pm Questions from the Box- Private Credit

An in depth look into Aksia's Private Credit House Views and an opportunity to ask questions of the authors of our annual asset class outlooks. As the name suggests, we will be garnering questions using a question box!

*Presenters: **Tim Nest**, Head of Private Credit,*

***Leo Fletcher-Smith**, Managing Director, Head of European Private Credit Strategies; and*

***Tod Trabocco**, Managing Director, Private Credit Strategist*

*Moderated by: **David Sheng**, MD, Portfolio Advisory*

Breakfast at Tiffany's (Deep Blue Something, 1993)

3:45 pm Under the Hood of a Multi-Strat

A session to examine PM recruiting, business building and risk oversight.

*Fireside chat with **Phillip Lee**, Head of Surveyor Capital*

*Interviewed by: **Brian Goldberg**, Managing Director, Head of Event Driven & Multi-Strategy*

Closing Time (Semisonic, 1998)

4:15 pm Concluding Remarks

*Presenter: **Patrick Adelsbach**, Co-Head Advisory Americas*