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56th Annual Delta Exhibition to be on display at Arkansas Arts Center

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – The Arkansas Arts Center, the state’s leader in international, visual and performing arts, presents the *56th Annual Delta Exhibition*, on view June 27 - September 28 in the Townsend Wolfe Gallery.

“This highly anticipated exhibition brings an excitement to the Arkansas Arts Center each year and allows us to celebrate the works of fellow Arkansans as well as our neighboring artists from the Delta,” said Arkansas Arts Center executive director Todd Herman. “Guests will have an opportunity to see how the works in the exhibition incite a true sense of pride and regional identity.”

Artists featured in the *56th Annual Delta Exhibition* include:

- DebiLynn Fendley of Arkadelphia, Ark.
- Sheila Cantrell of Batesville, Ark.
- Louis Watts of Bentonville, Ark.
- Jessica Camp of Conway, Ark.
- Deborah Kuster of Conway, Ark.
- Moises Menendez of El Dorado, Ark.
- Cindy Arsaga of Fayetteville, Ark.
- Jessica Westhafer of Fayetteville, Ark.
- Phoebe Lickwar of Fayetteville, Ark.
- Daniel Cassity of Hot Springs, Ark.
- David Bailin of Little Rock, Ark.
- Darrell Berry of Little Rock, Ark.
- Taimur Amin Cleary of Little Rock, Ark.
- Angela Davis Johnson of Little Rock, Ark.
- Ted Grimmett of Little Rock, Ark.
- Stephen Murphree of Little Rock, Ark.
- Ian Park of Little Rock, Ark.

- Robert Reep of Little Rock, Ark.
- Katherine Rutter of Little Rock, Ark.
- Cathryn Slater of Little Rock, Ark.
- Katherine Strause of Little Rock, Ark.
- Robin Tucker of Little Rock, Ark.
- Hubert Weldon of Little Rock, Ark.
- Dennis McCann of Maumelle, Ark.
- Kandy Jones of North Little Rock, Ark.
- Steven Rockwell of North Little Rock, Ark.
- Jerome Mazyck of Sherwood, Ark.
- Glenn Beasley of Sherwood, Ark.
- Jason Sacran of Magazine, Ark.
- Margaret Harrell of Mountain View, Ark.
- Carole Smith of Mountain View, Ark.
- Neal Harrington of Russellville, Ark.
- John Lasater, IV of Siloam Springs, Ark.
- Dale Newkirk of Covington, La.
- Stacy Medaries of Monroe, La.
- Amelia Key of Jackson, Miss.
- Milly West of Oxford, Miss.
- Rod Moorhead of Oxford, Miss.
- Philip Jackson of Oxford, Miss.
- Lou Haney of Oxford, Miss.
- Younok Chong of Oxford, Mo.
- Josephine Grace of Springfield, Mo.
- Sandra Dunn of Medicine Park, Okla.
- Douglas Shaw Elder of Norman, Okla.
- Trent Lawson of Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Nick Bayer of Piedmont, Okla.
- Mark Lewis of Tulsa, Okla.
- Nathan Opp of Tulsa, Okla.
- Andrew Blanchard of Spartanburg, S.C.
- Jeanne Seagle of Memphis, Tenn.
- Beth Edwards of Memphis, Tenn.
- Jason Miller of Memphis, Tenn.
- Paul Miller of Memphis, Tenn.
- Holt Brasher of Memphis, Tenn.
- Jed Jackson of Memphis, Tenn.
- Nancy Cheairs of Memphis, Tenn.
- Elizabeth Garat of Memphis, Tenn.
- William Killebrew of Nashville, Tenn.
- Leeanne Maxey of Dallas, Texas
- Aaron Swindle of Driftwood, Texas
- Pat Johnson of Fayetteville, Texas
- Vera Barnett of Grandview, Texas
- Derrick White of Tyler, Texas

The Delta Exhibition of Painting and Sculpture was founded in 1956 to feature contemporary work by artists from Arkansas and bordering states. Today, the *56th Annual Delta Exhibition* has grown to encompass works in all media and is a showcase for the dynamic vision of the artists of the Mississippi Delta region.

Brian Rutenberg will serve as juror for the *56th Annual Delta Exhibition*. Born and raised in the low country of coastal South Carolina, Rutenberg is an artist now living and working in New York City. Rutenberg holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Charleston and Master of Arts degree from the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Rutenberg will select the artworks to be exhibited and will assign the \$2,500 Grand Award and two \$750 Delta Awards. Additionally, a \$250 Contemporaries Delta Award will be selected by the Contemporaries, an auxiliary membership group of the Arkansas Arts Center.

The exhibition is sponsored by Warren and Harriet Stephens, Stephens Inc., Noble Strategies, Fleming Electric and The Bailey Foundation. The exhibition is supported by the Andre Simon Memorial Trust in memory of everyone who has died of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

Arkansas Arts Center members are invited to a member reception for exhibitions, *Susan Paulsen: Wilmot* and *56th Annual Delta Exhibition*, to be held on Thursday, June 26, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Members and guests will enjoy music, cocktails and light hors d'oeuvres. An opening night lecture will be given by *56th Annual Delta* exhibition guest juror, Brian Rutenberg, at 6 p.m. in the Lecture Hall. Tickets are required to attend the lecture and are free for members. Non-members may purchase a ticket for \$15, which includes access to the lecture, exhibition and reception.

For more information, visit arkansasartscenter.org or call [\(501\) 372-4000](tel:5013724000).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Contact: [\(501\) 372-4000](tel:5013724000)

Location: Arkansas Arts Center – 9th and Commerce, Little Rock, AR 72202

Cost: Free Admission

Gallery Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

Closed Monday & Major Holidays

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