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108|Contemporary presents *Shelter: Patrick Dougherty & Rachel Hayes*

Tulsa, Oklahoma – January 8, 2018– 108|Contemporary is thrilled to announce the upcoming exhibition *Shelter: Patrick Dougherty & Rachel Hayes* opening during the First Friday Art Crawl in the Tulsa Arts District, February 2, 2018. The show will partner two artists who explore space, architecture, and how we create the shelters we inhabit. 108|Contemporary will also host a number of programs throughout the exhibition in partnership with the University of Tulsa’s Oklahoma Center for the Humanities, culminating in a discussion on refugee housing led by Museum of Modern Art Associate Curator of Architecture and Design, Sean Anderson.

Patrick Dougherty is an internationally recognized sculptor who has exhibited work on three continents and has been featured in publications such as *Elle*, *American Craft*, *People*, and *Smithsonian*. Dougherty is best known for his *stickworks*, which are site-specific installations using recycled wood that is warped and woven into massive shelter-like structures. 108|Contemporary will exhibit photographs of Dougherty’s sculptures at the same time he begins work on a *stickwork* installation on Tulsa’s Centennial Green at Sixth and Main Street as part of the Urban Art Core Project.

Rachel Hayes, fiber artist and Tulsa Artist Fellow, uses industrial and commercial textiles to create stained glass-inspired tapestries that she has installed both indoors and outdoors across the country. Her work has been exhibited at Facebook Headquarters and Milan Fashion Week and featured in *Vogue*, *The New York Times* and *Harper’s Bazaar*.

“The idea of shelter is such an important element ingrained in the human experience, and it is so often overlooked,” says Kathy McRuiz, Executive Director of 108|Contemporary. “While Dougherty and Hayes work in different styles, they both critically examine interpretations of shelter and facilitate meaningful conversation on the impact that the spaces we occupy have on the world we live in.”

108|Contemporary will welcome Patrick Dougherty to the gallery for an artist talk and book signing on March 8th, 2018. The exhibition will run from February 2 – March 25, 2018. This exhibition is proudly sponsored by the Mervin Bovaird Foundation.

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