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VisionMakers2022

Donna Davies, Juror

On View: December 2, 2022 – January 22, 2023 **Opening:** First Friday, December 2, 6:00-9:00 PM

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Tulsa, OK— 108 | Contemporary is proud to announce the opening of its regional juried biennial exhibition, *Visionmakers2022*. Celebrating over 30 years, *VisionMakers* includes not only the best fine craft artists in Oklahoma, but also in Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Missouri, and Texas. More than 60 entries were received representing all seven states with works from thirty-three artists accepted.

Donna Davies is Deputy Director of Pilchuck Glass School, where she leads the strategic priorities, operations, and brings leadership to the year-round staff and direction of the school, located in Stanwood, Washington, and Seattle, Washington. Prior to Pilchuck Glass School, Davies was the Director of SOFA CHICAGO, Art Palm Springs, and Art Aspen, where she led the management of the portfolio of art fairs. As an art historian and former art dealer, Davies was sensitive to the curatorial aspects and needs of an art fair where she led the fair management of the art fair portfolio for nearly ten years. She was also Director of SOFA NEW YORK and SOFA WEST: Santa Fe, two successful locations for the fair until pulling the focus of the fair back to its roots in Chicago.

Davies received her Bachelor of Arts in Art History from the University of Kansas, Lawrence, and her Master of Arts in Art History from the University of Oklahoma, Norman. She has written for numerous publications, her most recent being the author of the *Erivan and Helga Haub Family Collection of Western Art*, Volume III, as well as a contributing author of *The American West: Out of Myth, Into Reality* with Peter H. Hassrick.

Artist award sponsor Hogan Assessments, a globally renowned personality assessment firm, will honor the top regional artists with the Hogan Visionary Awards. Chosen by the juror, these awards are a mark of excellence for artists working in the field of fine craft. Awards include: Regional Identity Award, Craftsmanship Award, Art+Craft Dialogue Award,

Innovation Award, and Founders Contemporary Design Award. Additional sponsors of the exhibition include Peter Walter and Associates, Jan Jennings, and GH2 Architects.

VisionMakers2022 continues the long standing tradition of celebrating the highest caliber of cutting edge fine craft that our region has to offer. Davies has selected artists representing a variety of media, perspectives, and artistic practices, ultimately creating a thrilling exhibition that cannot be missed.

108 | Contemporary is a non-profit community arts organization that supports Oklahoma's contemporary fine craft artists. We envision a community where world-class craft and design exhibition programming inspires and educates audiences of all ages; where Oklahoma's cultural traditions flourish, and local artists thrive.

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