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OSU MUSEUM OF ART PRESENTS TEXTILE EXHIBITION EXPLORING THE CONCEPT OF LAYERING

(STILLWATER, Okla., April 18, 2018) — From archeological digs revealing the history of civilizations to contemplations on hidden meanings in novels, layers surround us in abstract and material ways. *Layered Voices,* featuring the work of 23 artists, presents textiles that illustrate each artist's interpretation of layers.

On view at the OSU Museum of Art from May 1 – Aug. 18, the exhibition showcases a selection of art quilts inspired by themes found in nature, politics, social interactions, personal experiences, and more. The idea began in 2016 when the Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA) presented its members with a charge: create a new work exploring the concept of layering. Literal, metaphorical, realistic, abstract, digital, and even wearable art were all considered. *Layered Voices* is the resulting exhibition juried from more than 500 works submitted from across the country.

In conjunction with the exhibition, visiting artist Betty Busby will present an artist talk at the museum on Thursday, July 12, at 6 pm. Busby – whose work *Multicellular* is featured in the exhibition – is an accomplished textile artist and quilter from Albuquerque, NM. In addition exhibiting work internationally, Busby also presents numerous workshops across the country, sharing her techniques, processes, and knowledge. To be added to a waiting list for Busby's sold-out workshop in Stillwater on July 12-14, or to learn more about the exhibition and related programming, visit <u>museum.okstate.edu/layeredvoices</u>.

Layered Voices is courtesy of Studio Art Quilt Associates (<u>SAQA</u>), a member organization whose mission is to promote the art quilt through education, exhibitions, professional development, documentation and publications. It is presented at the OSU Museum of Art in partnership with the <u>Cimarron Valley Quilters' Guild</u>.

About the OSU Museum of Art

For more information about the OSU Museum of Art, visit <u>museum.okstate.edu</u> or call 405-744-2780. The museum is located at 720 S. Husband Street in downtown Stillwater. Hours: Tuesday through Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm. Thursday: 11 am to 7 pm. Admission is free, thanks to generous support from the OSU Museum of Art Advocates.

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