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Dubuque Museum of Art  
2nd **CRAFT INVITATIONAL**

June 27 through October 11, 2020

***Dubuque Museum of Art to Host  
2<sup>nd</sup> Craft Invitational***

***Museum to reopen offering free admission and additional safety protocols***

For Immediate Release

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**June 22, 2020 (DUBUQUE, IA)** – The [Dubuque Museum of Art \(DuMA\)](#) announces that it will reopen its doors and will be hosting the *2<sup>nd</sup> Craft Invitational* beginning on Saturday, June 27.

Sponsored by Premier Bank, Cottingham & Butler and Mosaic Lodge #125, DuMA presents an inspiring exhibition highlighting fine craft, with an emphasis on traditional materials handled in unexpected and innovative ways. The *2nd Craft Invitational* will include over 70 handcrafted works by a select group of regionally-based craftspeople working in ceramic, glass, wood, paper, and metal.

The first invitational in 2018 was a major achievement and validation of what the curatorial team already knew – that many exceptional craft artists exist in our region, more than we could include in one exhibition. The 2020 *DUMA Craft Invitational* builds upon the success of the first exhibition, presenting a new group of exceptional and enthusiastic artists.

The artists are: Ali Kauss, Amy Arnold and Kelsey Sauber Olds, Andrew Shea, Bob Grueneberg, Cory McCrory, Darlys Ewoldt, Don Friedlich, Ernest Miller, Gordon Browning, James Pearce, John Martinson, Judith Kinghorn, Julie McLaughlin, Kevin Kowaleski and Justin Mosling, Kristin Garnant and v.skip willits, Linda Kelen, Melissa Jay Craig, Mitchell Spain, Rich Robertson, and Rick Hintze.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> *Craft Invitational* has been facilitated by DuMA's original Craft curatorial team, artists Delores Fortuna, Maureen Bardusk, and Paul Opperman, along with new member, Carole Speliç. The exhibition will run through October 11, 2020.

Admission will be free in June and July, and the museum will be open during the following hours and days:

- **Hours:** 10am-12pm and 1-4pm
- **Wednesday:** Members only by reservation (call 563.557.1851)
- **Thursday-Saturday:** Open to the public
- **Sunday-Tuesday:** Closed

In order to provide members, visitors, and staff with the safest possible environment, DuMA has increased the frequency of cleaning and sanitizing the facility and The Glab Family Art Studio and Classroom will be closed until further notice. All visitors will be required to wear a face mask and sanitize their hands. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available onsite.

For updates on exhibitions, programs, hours, and safety protocols, please visit [www.dbqart.org](http://www.dbqart.org) or call 563.557.1851.

### **About the Dubuque Museum of Art**

The Dubuque Museum of Art (DuMA), founded in 1874 and accredited by the American Alliance of Museums in 2004, is Iowa's oldest cultural institution. Named a national affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution in 2016, DuMA's mission is to excite, engage and serve diverse communities within the Tri-State area through our collections, exhibitions and educational programs. We connect generations of people to their cultural heritage and exceptional art.