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Surface Design Association and Oregon College of Art and Craft to host *Crossing Generations: Past, Present & Future, SDA at 40*

Surface Design Association (SDA) presents “*Crossing Generations: Past, Present & Future*”, an exhibit curated by well-known gallerist and artist Jane Sauer to honor SDA’s 40th Anniversary. The exhibit will be held at the Hoffman Gallery, Oregon College of Arts and Craft, July 10 - August 6, 2017, during SDA’s “Making Our Mark Conference”, which runs August 3-6, 2017.

In creating a vision for this exhibition, Sauer comments, “my desire is to highlight the work of the great mentors that laid the ground work for what is happening today, mid-career artists, and a look into what the future holds by showing the work of a few emerging artists.”

A reception will take place 4-6pm, Saturday, August 5, during the conference. Participating artists are James Bassler, Lia Cook, John Garrett, Michael James, Glenn Kaufman, Gerhardt Knodel, Jack Lenor Larsen, Barbara Lee Smith, Anna Carlson, Vic De La Rosa, Karen Hampton, Mark Newport, Julie Sirek, Aaron McIntosh, Nicole Benner, Rena Detrixhe, Molly Koehn, Aram Han Sifuentes, Lauren Sinner, Jodi Stevens, Andrea Vail, and Anel Zarate. Their work covers a wide range of media and approaches and represents a small sampling of what is a rich history and future.

Jane Sauer’s distinguished career includes being a full time artist and operating one of Santa Fe’s most iconic fiber art galleries, the Jane Sauer Gallery. She is currently a freelance curator and consultant.

Surface Design Association will hold its biennial conference, *Making Our Mark: SDA at 40*, in Portland, Oregon, August 3-6, 2017. The conference focuses on past, present

and future with a lineup of speakers, panel discussions, demonstrations and exhibitions. Keynote speakers include Sheila Pepe, Josh Faught, Aram Han Sifuentes and Jane Lackey. Conference partners are Portland State University and Oregon College of Art and Craft. Additional sponsors include the American Craft Council and Friends of Fiber Art. Registration via the [SDA website](#) is now open.

Surface Design Association, a 501c3 non-profit textile arts organization founded in 1977, is dedicated to promoting awareness and appreciation of textile-inspired art and design through member-supported benefits including publications, exhibitions and conferences. Learn more at www surfacedesign.org. For questions, contact info@surfacedesign.org or call 707-829-3110.