Fall Programming

CRISS CROSS: ROBYN HORN / BRIAN DICKERSON
October 27, 2017 – January 18, 2018
Curated by Miriam Seidel

Philadelphia, PA: The Center for Art in Wood located at 141 N 3rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106 is pleased to present CRISS CROSS: Robyn Horn / Brian Dickerson curated by guest curator Miriam Seidel. Join us October 27th, in the Gerry Lenfest Gallery for an exhibition that expands our understanding of wood as an art medium.

Two artists who use wood as a primary material, but whose work has emerged out of different traditions, set their work in conversation here. Both have created new work in response to the other’s approach for this exhibition.

The Center, known for its new approaches to wood as a material for art, is the perfect venue for an exhibition juxtaposing the works of Robyn Horn and Brian Dickerson, whose work illuminates the intersections of texture and finish, paint versus natural surface, sculpture and painting, craft and fine art.

CRISS CROSS and The Bob Stocksdale International Excellence in Wood Award Exhibition will be celebrated during the Center’s Annual Founders’ Fundraiser, Saturday, November 11th. Artists of the two exhibitions, along with guest curator Miriam Siegel, will give a tour of the exhibition and talk about their ideas and processes to sponsors of the event. For tickets and information please visit www.centerforartinwood.org.

CRISS CROSS: ROBYN HORN / BRIAN DICKERSON at The Center for Art in Wood is part of CraftNOW Philadelphia, which unites the leading institutions and artists of Philadelphia’s craft community in a celebration of the city’s rich legacy of craft, its internationally-recognized contemporary craft scene, and its important role as an incubator for arts based in wood, clay, fiber, metal and glass.
The *Bob Stocksdale International Excellence in Wood Award* is presented to artist Dean Pulver. Supported by an anonymous donor, this $1,000 award is presented annually to an emerging or mid-career artist whose work, like Stocksdale’s, unites quality of craftsmanship and respect for materials.

Dean Pulver creates pieces that are raw and honest, expressing the perfection in imperfection as monuments to our existence. The artist's work will be exhibited in conjunction with *CRISS CROSS* October 27, 2017 – January 18, 2018.

**Annual Founders’ Fundraiser**  
Saturday, November 11, 2017

The Center for Art in Wood continues the tradition of our Annual Founders’ Fundraiser on Saturday, November 11, 2017 with a reception at the Center from 6 PM – 8 PM and an after party at the Arden Theatre Company: Hamilton Family Arts Center located at 62 N. 2nd Street, from 8 PM – 10 PM.

This year, we will be honoring John and Robyn Horn, whose ongoing philanthropy has facilitated arts and culture programs and initiatives at the Center, as well as numerous other arts and educational institutions around the US. The evening includes the awarding of the 2nd Annual Bob Stocksdale International Excellence in Wood Award to artist Dean Pulver.

This is a catered, cocktail event and tickets are required. Tickets are available for purchase at centerforartinwood.org/events
EVENTS
First Fridays | Nov 3 & Dec 1, 2017 & Jan 5, 2018 | 5 – 8:00 PM at the Center
A Gallery Talk and Reception will take place Dec 1, 2017

CRiSS CROSS: Interrogating Boundaries Between Art Forms | Nov 10 | 4:00 – 5:00pm at Moore College of Art & Design, Graham Auditorium, 20th and The Parkway, Philadelphia. A panel discussion during the CraftNOW’s Fluid Boundaries Symposium. This is a free event including lunch but registration is required at https://craftnowphila.org/symposium/.

Annual Founders’ Fundraiser | Sat, Nov. 11, 2017 | 6 – 8 PM reception at the Center | 8 – 10 pm After Party at The Arden’s Hamilton Family Arts Center | 62 N 2nd Street | This is a catered cocktail event and tickets may be purchased at centerforartinwood.org/events

CraftNOW activates the city in conjunction with the Philadelphia Museum of Art Contemporary Craft Show throughout the month of November. Join us as we examine the Fluid Boundaries of contemporary craft practices and intersections with other disciplines including the fine arts, design, and making.

CraftNOW EVENTS

CraftNOW Kickoff | Wed, Nov 1, 5 – 8pm | Proclamation, & Artist Reception | Philadelphia’s City Hall

A Well-Crafted First Friday in Old City | Fri, Nov 3, 5 – 8pm | Galleries, Retailers & Restaurants Old City Special promotions offered by presenting your CraftNOW brochure or postcard to participating retailers/restaurants.

Philadelphia Museum of Art Contemporary Craft Show | Thurs – Sun, Nov 9 – 12 | Pennsylvania Convention Center, 12th and Arch Streets.

Fluid Boundaries Symposium | Fri, Nov 10, 12 – 8pm | Moore College of Art & Design Graham Auditorium, 20th and The Parkway, Philadelphia. CraftNOW hosts a symposium to provide a platform for critical discourse in contemporary craft. The keynote speech by Abraham Thomas, The Fleur and Charles Bresler Curator-in-Charge of the Renwick Gallery, will be followed by a reception and performance. Sponsored by Freeman’s Auction.

CraftNOW Create | Sat, Nov 11, 11am - 4pm | The Kimmel Center, 300 South Broad Street
CraftNOW steps out of the studio and into the heart of Philadelphia at The Kimmel Center. Activities and demonstrations, presented by the area’s top studios and institutions.

Wayne Art Center’s Craft Forms 2017 | Dec 8, 2017 – Jan 27, 2018 | Wayne Art Center, 413 Maplewood Avenue, Wayne, PA