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Quilting Exhibit Opens at The MAX on May 25

Quilting work from around the world, including Mississippi quilters, will be featured

MERIDIAN, Miss. (May 16, 2019) – *Material Pulses: Seven Viewpoints + Mississippi Quiltings*, a new exhibit focused on the art of quilt-making, will open May 25 at the Mississippi Arts + Entertainment Experience (The MAX) in Meridian. The new exhibition will explore the art of quilting and will feature artists from around the world, including quilters from Mississippi.

Material Pulses: Seven Viewpoints will present 17 works by seven fiber artists representing the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom. Curated by internationally renowned artist and teacher Nancy Crow, *Material Pulses* contributes to the dialogue of contemporary textile arts.

The exhibit was created by Crow as the culmination of her mission to bring back the majesty, strength, and energy of textile works, particularly large quilts. The exhibit will run through August 11 at The MAX and is free with regular museum admission.

“Quilt-making may be considered by some as a dying art, but this exhibit explores the resurgence of the craft,” said Mark Tullos, Executive Director of The MAX. “Visitors to this exhibit can see some of the finest quilting work in the world, including the works of Mississippi’s top quilters.”

The exhibition features quilts up to 101 inches, for dramatic scale of an art form that is often relegated to its functional qualities.

A localized component of the exhibit, *Mississippi Quiltings*, is the materialization of talent located in Mississippi. The MAX reached out to quilt makers from across the state for submissions of original quilts to create for this exhibition. Twenty quilts were selected representing 10 cities and 17 gifted artists. Paired with *Material Pulses: Seven Viewpoints*, these exhibitions will inspire artists to continue to stretch the limits and hopefully inspire new artists.

About The MAX

The MAX showcases Mississippi’s arts and entertainment experience in one immersive destination. Here, visitors of all ages explore the global impact of Mississippians on music, books, art, entertainment, and cuisine. The MAX honors our state’s creative legacy and inspires the next generation of creators through a unique experience of interactive exhibits. Come discover the Mississippi roots of some of the

world's greatest arts and entertainment icons — like Elvis Presley, Oprah Winfrey, B.B. King, Faith Hill, Sela Ward, and Kermit the Frog, just to name a few.

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