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Artists Equity Honors Thora Jacobson: Making a Difference for Visual Fine Artists

ARTISTS EQUITY HONORS THORA JACOBSON, for her service as the Executive Director of the Samuel S. Fleisher Art Memorial. Their quality programs for artists have made a significant contribution to art and artists of the region.

In 1978, as program administrator, Jacobson initiated the Challenge Exhibitions at Fleisher, which have become a highly respected series for younger, unaffiliated artists in the Philadelphia area.

In 1991 and 1992 Ms. Jacobson worked with co-producers Mary Griffin and Carlota Schoolman on a series of artist residencies, performances and consultancies entitled Arranged Introductions: Art Works in Different Places. In the past twelve years, Jacobson has turned her attention to strategic partnerships with community-based organizations for exhibitions and educational programs as a vehicle for rethinking the multiple meanings of culture and creativity.

Jacobson also contributed to the catalogue Twenty Philadelphia Artists: Celebrating Fleisher Challenge at 20 for the Philadelphia Museum of Art, with an historical essay on the region's artists and institutions.

In addition, Ms. Jacobson has worked as a community arts organizer, a management/development consultant, free-lance curator, juror for numerous art exhibitions and competitions in the Philadelphia region, and peer panelist for governmental funding agencies and foundations.

**In recognition of these contributions which advance the careers of visual fine artists,
The 2006 ARTISTS EQUITY AWARD will be given to Ms. Jacobson.**

When: Sunday May 21st, 11:30 AM
Where: Artists Equity Annual Business Meeting & Brunch
Chart House Restaurant
555 South Columbus Boulevard
Philadelphia, PA 19147

To reserve your place at the brunch, send a check payable to:
Philadelphia/Tri State Artists Equity Association
c/o Doris Silk
P.O. Box 321
Swarthmore, PA 19081

Ticket prices: AE Members: \$22. single /\$38. Couple
Friends and Non-Members: \$27. single / \$43. couple

For more info about the brunch please call 610-544-5964.

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