



### Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts News Release

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### Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Hosts the Seventh Annual Artist Market Featuring Gulf Coast Eco-Designer and Artist Kathleen Nowak Tucci

**Montgomery, AL, November 4, 2016**– The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts invites you to kick off the gift-giving season by attending the highly anticipated annual *Artist Market*. The two-day event is Friday, November 18, and Saturday, November 19. There will be dozens of local and regional artists, including Kathleen Nowak Tucci, who was featured on the cover of *Vogue Italia* magazine and in exhibitions at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

The weekend begins Friday with a preview party from 5:30 to 8 P.M. allowing participants to shop early and to mix and mingle with the artists while enjoying hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. *Artist Market* continues Saturday from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. in the Lowder Gallery and Rotunda of the MMFA.

As a special feature of *Artist Market* in 2016, the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts is offering for purchase a limited number of historical engravings published in 1804. In 1786, Alderman John Boydell conceived a project to promote Shakespeare and contemporary English art by commissioning more than 167 paintings of scenes from Shakespeare's plays. He later produced engravings based on these paintings, which were published in limited portfolios and editions. Just in time for the holidays, you can buy a distinctive gift of art for lovers of historical works on paper, Shakespeare, and the theatre while at the same time supporting the mission and programs of the MMFA.

Along with products sold at *Artist Market*, the Museum Store will be stocked with additional handcrafted works by local and regional artists, such as paintings, drawings, pottery, glass, textiles, woodcarvings, distinctive jewelry, and more. The Museum Store is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. and Sunday, 12 noon to 4 P.M.

The MMFA is grateful to Stifel Investment Services for sponsoring the two days of *Artist Market* events. For more information, call the MMFA at 334.240.4333 or visit the website at [www.mmfa.org](http://www.mmfa.org).

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**Kathleen Nowak Tucci, *Hummingbird Necklace*, 2015, (Saul Bell Design Winner),  
photography by Victor Wolansky**

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