

ARTISTS HEATHER HART AND VIRGINIA OVERTON ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STORM KING ART CENTER

(Mountainville, NY, May 20, 2020)—Storm King Art Center announced today the appointment of artists Heather Hart and Virginia Overton to its Board of Trustees. Both artists have presented projects as part of Storm King’s *Outlooks* exhibition series, which invites one emerging or mid-career artist to engage with the Art Center’s landscape and history and create a new, site-specific work installed on-site for a single season.

The Museum’s Chair Roberta Denning made the announcement, saying, “It gives me great pleasure to welcome Heather and Virginia to Storm King Art Center’s Board. Having artists’ voices on the board is critical to our efforts to ensure our board is representative of the community with whom we work and serve. I look forward to working with them and learning from the unique perspectives they will each bring to our discussions and decision-making.”

John P. Stern, Storm King Art Center’s President added, “Over Storm King’s 60-year history, we have worked with artists and supported some of their most ambitious works. It was a pleasure to collaborate with Heather in 2017 and Virginia in 2014 during their *Outlooks* exhibitions, each exceptionally presented within our landscape. I know they will serve as Trustees with the same creativity they have shown in their careers, enhanced by their deep interest in Storm King’s community, site, collection, and programs.”

On the occasion of the announcement, Heather Hart said, “It is an honor to join the board of Storm King Art Center and contribute to their legacy of encouraging the development of artists’ ideas and practices. My work focuses on communal participation, individual and collective identity, memory, and representation across multiple mediums. These are topics I’m also eager to engage with during my time as a Trustee.”

Virginia Overton said, “Having shown work at Storm King and enjoyed many visits, I look forward to deepening my connection to the Art Center from this new vantage point. I hope to offer both my perspective as an artist and my passion for Storm King as it continues to evolve. I am honored to join Storm King’s Board of Trustees, and I do so with enthusiasm for its growth.”

As part of Storm King’s Board of Directors, Ms. Hart and Ms. Overton will each contribute their time and expertise alongside 17 other active board members.

About Heather Hart

Heather Hart is a visual artist who works in a variety of media including participatory sculpture and drawing. Her work has been included in a variety of publications and exhibited worldwide including at the Institute of Contemporary Art (Philadelphia, PA), North Carolina Museum of Art (Raleigh, NC), The Brooklyn Museum (New York), Albright Knox Art Gallery (Buffalo, NY), and the Seattle Art Museum (Seattle, WA). She received an MFA from Rutgers where she now teaches. Hart is also the co-founder of Black Lunch Table, an oral history archive and discursive project aiming to fill holes in historical records. Hart was born in Seattle, WA and is now based in Brooklyn.

About Virginia Overton

Virginia Overton’s work comprises installation, sculpture and photography, often beginning intuitively as a direct response to her physical presence in a particular space. Solo exhibitions include Don River Valley (Toronto, Ontario), Socrates Sculpture Park (New York), Museum of Contemporary Art (Tucson, AZ), Whitney Museum of American Art (New York), and The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum (Ridgefield, CT), Westfälischer Kunstverein (Münster), Kunsthalle Bern and The Kitchen (New York). Overton was born in Nashville, TN and now lives and works in Brooklyn.

About Storm King Art Center

Storm King Art Center is a 500-acre outdoor museum located in New York’s Hudson Valley, where visitors experience large-



scale sculpture and site-specific commissions under open sky. Since 1960, Storm King has been dedicated to stewarding the hills, meadows, and forests of its site and surrounding landscape. Building on the visionary thinking of its founders, Storm King supports artists and some of their most ambitious works. Changing exhibitions, programming, and seasons offer discoveries with every visit.

Storm King Art Center remains temporarily closed to visitors in compliance with Governor Cuomo's New York Forward Guidelines. Storm King looks forward to welcoming visitors as soon as mandates permit, and guidelines to protect the safety of staff, visitors, and the community are in place. Details and schedule announcements during this time can be found at stormking.org/health.

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