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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**Exhibit Title:** Annual Members' Exhibition 2017

Exhibition: Nov 18 to Dec 23, 2016

Reception: Sat, Dec 9, 2:00 to 4:00 PM

Lowell, MA -- Artist members of The Brush Art Gallery & Studios and the New England Sculptors Association were eligible for this exhibition. This year we had an open call with no theme. All media was welcomed. Purchases can be taken home for Holiday gifts on the last day, December 23. Members also enjoy a 10% discount on purchases from the main gallery. A cash prize for Best in Show will be announced at the Artist Reception on December 9.

**Juror:** Ellen J. Wetmore, Associate Professor of Art, University of Massachusetts Lowell

This year artists include: Louise Abbott, Laurel Bates, Donna Berger, Michele Boll, Rose Carney, George Chen, Christine Chisholm, Anita Helen Cohen, Jody Cross-Hansen, Michael delaVega, Linda Demers, Nick DePasquale, David Drinon, Elisa Ferriter, Tracy Fischer, Barbara Fletcher, Diane Francis, Claire Gagnon, Janice Jones, David R. Jones, Peggy Jungbluth, Mary-Ellen Latino, Ted Lavash, Nancy Lessard Downing, Valery Mahuchy, Monica McDermott, Ivan Orlinsky, David Phaneuf, Carol Rissman, Dan Rocha, Catherine Satsuk, Elaine Seidel Shea, Ellen Sidor, Ioana Singureanu, Peter Spampinato, Marie Stabile, Bob Stegmaier, Don Sullivan, Trina Teele, Kelly Tierney, William Turner, Victoria Voner, Pamela Wamala, Jean Winslow, and Deb Wolf.

The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is located in the Lowell National Historical Park across the courtyard from the Visitor Center. This dynamic and captivating place was originally founded by the Lowell Historic Preservation Commission, U.S. Department of the Interior. The Brush presents museum quality exhibitions, educational programs, and has collaborated with many other nonprofit groups. Artists occupy studio spaces to interact with and educate the public on a weekly basis. Currently, eleven studio artists produce paintings, illustration, photography, jewelry, sculpture, ceramics, quilts, and handwoven items. Associate artists display work in the common area. The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization. **The Brush is supported by the Lowell National Historical Park and Eastern National.**

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