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Contemporary Quilting Returns to Susquehanna Art Museum

Harrisburg, PA - *Color Improvisations 2, An International Exhibition of Contemporary Quilts* curated by Nancy Crow will be on view in the Main Gallery of the Susquehanna Art Museum from October 13, 2018 through January 20, 2019. A Member's Preview of the exhibition will be held on Friday, October 12 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. To become a Member of SAM and attend the special Member's Preview on October 12, visit www.SusquehannaArtMuseum.org/Membership.

This iteration of the exhibition features a unique selection of large improvisational pieced quilts by eighteen contemporary artists from Canada, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, and the United States. Curator Nancy Crow is one of the most celebrated and influential quiltmakers in the world.

Quilting has a long, rich history in Western Europe, the United States, Canada, and many other parts of the globe. Over the past forty years, quiltmakers such as Nancy Crow have revolutionized how quilts can be made and what they look like. While honoring historical traditions, contemporary quilters have an unprecedented amount of control over their materials and the ways they can be transformed. All of the quilts in this exhibition were made from cotton that the artists hand dyed. Rather than working from patterns, the fabric was cut, pieced, and quilted improvisationally. Each quilt in *Color Improvisations 2*, including a new work by Crow, was made specifically for this exhibition.

Susquehanna Art Museum, located at 1401 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102, is open to the public Tuesday – Saturday from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm with extended hours on Wednesdays til 7:00 pm. Sundays: 12 noon – 5:00 pm. Free parking is available to museum-goers in the lot immediately adjacent to the rear of the museum at Calder and James Streets.

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