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Dallas Arboretum Announces New Summer Exhibit, Wind Sculptures in Motion: The Kinetic Art of Lyman Whitaker

April 4, 2018- The Dallas Arboretum is excited to announce the arrival of its new summer exhibit, Wind Sculptures in Motion -The Kinetic Art of Lyman Whitaker, presented by Reliant, on display throughout the gardens April 15 through July 31. As the most recognized creator of kinetic art in the world, Whitaker hand-crafts copper wind sculptures that are mesmerizing juxtaposed throughout the beautiful 66-acre garden.

"A big part of who we are at Reliant is energy, but it's also being a positive force in the community," said Elizabeth Killinger, president, Reliant. "We are excited to bring those two things together by supporting the Dallas Arboretum as they introduce an exciting new art exhibit that focuses on energy in motion."

Each piece of Lyman's artwork is organic in nature and responds to the changing currents of the wind, which provides each sculptures movement. Lyman creates sculptures that are innovative, hand-produced and have a high degree of mechanical integrity and quality craftsmanship. The sculptures range in height from 5 to 27 feet tall and 122 sculptures will be arranged in groupings throughout the garden for viewing. Whitaker says, "The garden is a perfect venue for my pieces. Since they are derivative of plant forms, they feel at home among the plants."

Lyman has been a practicing sculptor for over 50 years, with a unique knowledge of materials and their application. The past 30 years have primarily been focused on creating wind sculptures, each of which is produced by hand. As a master in the kinetic sculpture

discipline, Lyman's art is known around the world. His work is represented at fine art galleries and in private collections throughout the United States and abroad.

The exhibition is made possible by Leopold Gallery, which represents Lyman Whitaker and is handling purchases with a portion benefiting the Dallas Arboretum, visit https://www.leopoldwindsculptures.com/exhibits/dallas-arboretum-botanical-gardens/ for more information.

For press materials, click here.

Activities for Lyman Whitaker Exhibit include: Artist Meet & Greet and Walking Tour, April 14, 1-2:30 p.m.

Lyman Whitaker will give presentations in Rosine Hall, free with paid garden admission. Space is limited to a first come, first served basis.

Summer of Movement

Experience the movement of the wind sculptures by Lyman Whitaker and enjoy the movements of talented dance groups from the surrounding areas throughout the garden. Performances and dates include:

April 21, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Bandan Koro May 5, 11 a.m. and 11: 30 a.m., Anita Martinez Ballet Folklorico May 6, 12 p.m.-3 p.m., Bruce Wood Dance Project (throughout the gardens) May 19, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Bandan Koro June 3, 1-3 p.m. Bruce Wood Dance Project (throughout gardens)

The Lyman Whitaker exhibit is supported in part by Dave Perry-Miller Real Estate.

About The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden:

The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Gardens is located on the southeastern shore of White Rock Lake at 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218. The Dallas Arboretum is also the home of the internationally acclaimed Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. The Arboretum is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. General admission is \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors 65 and older, \$10 for children 2-12 and free for Arboretum members and children under two. On-site parking is \$15 or \$9, if purchased in advance online. The Dallas Morning News is the principal partner of the Dallas Arboretum. The Arboretum is supported, in part, by funds from the Dallas Park and Recreation Department. WFAA is an official media sponsor for the Dallas Arboretum.

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