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Boise Centre To Hold Public Debut of Commissioned Artwork “You Are Here”

BOISE, Idaho -Boise Centre will celebrate the public debut of a sculptural artwork created by Boise native Amy Westover called “You Are Here”. The artwork was commissioned to commemorate the completion of the Boise Centre expansion in 2017. The debut will be held during First Thursday, February 7, 2019 from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. The event will be held at the lobby on the second level of Boise Centre East.

In August 2017, the Greater Boise Auditorium District Board of Directors commissioned a site-specific work of art to be installed prominently within the expanded convention center to welcome visitors and celebrate the finishing touches of the recent multi-million dollar expansion of Boise Centre. “The District is delighted to dedicate this amazing sculpture that celebrates Boise’s rich, artistic culture. We know visitors and local residents will appreciate the beauty and vision of this piece that reflects our wonderful, growing community,” said District Board Member Hy Kloc.

This unique, bright and multi-colored work of art can be viewed as an aerial map featuring many local points of interest. The intention of the artist is to inspire viewers to look beyond the walls of the convention center to Boise’s vibrant downtown and extraordinary landscape that surrounds the city. The sculpture is a modern take on traditional landscape

painting and is also a contemporary version of stained glass. The work of art includes 1,036 pieces of kiln-formed and water jet cut glass.

Ms. Westover was born and raised in Boise and has a deep love for her home state of Idaho. She studied in several states and abroad, but Idaho called her home where she received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in printmaking and sculpture from Boise State University in 2000. She gravitated towards public art completing her first major commission, Grove Street Illuminated and Boise Canal, in 2002. She has since continued to engage in public art both locally and nationally. She currently resides in Buhl Idaho with her husband and daughter striving each day to practice the art of living well.

Ms. Westover's sculpture "You Are Here" is the second work of art the District has commissioned since 1990. The District commissioned a wood sculpture depicting the Boise River named "Flow" that was created by local artists Chris Binion and Dwaine Carver in 1998.

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About The Greater Boise Auditorium District

Created in June 1959 by voters, the Greater Boise Auditorium District is dedicated to promoting economic activity and growth in the Boise area. Its purpose is to serve the public need and promote the prosperity, security, and general welfare of the District's residents. In 1990, the Greater Boise Auditorium District completed construction of Boise Centre— the District's first operating entity and Idaho's largest convention facility. A convention center expansion was completed in 2017 adding much needed space to accommodate larger conventions and multiple events simultaneously. Visit <http://www.boiseauditorium.com> for more information.