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Historic Skirvin Hilton Hotel Names New Artist in Residence Jennifer Woods Selected as 2019-2020 Artist in Residence at Oklahoma City's #1 Hotel

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (OCTOBER 23, 2019)-- The <u>Skirvin Hilton Hotel</u> is pleased to announce Jennifer Woods as its eighth Artist in Residence. Woods, an accomplished craft jeweler, will be working in the historic hotel's studio space for one year, which began October 1, 2019.

Skirvin Paseo Artist Creativity Exposition (SPACE) is a unique urban Artist-in-Residency program in which emerging visual artists, who are members of the Paseo Arts Association, can apply for a yearlong, on-site residency in Oklahoma City's premier, downtown landmark hotel. Woods was selected from a distinguished pool of artists by a committee consisting of leaders from the Paseo Art Association and The Skirvin Hilton Hotel.

Inspired by jewelry at a young age, Woods' unique art is crafted for the person who refuses to limit oneself to any one style or emotion. Enthused by natural surroundings, cultivated by her travels, and refined over years of craftsmanship, her pieces range stylistically from bold to sophisticated and whimsical to statement – speaking to every person and every mood.

As the 2019-2020 Skirvin Hilton Artist in Residence, Woods will integrate her formal education in biology with her passion for creating jewelry in an exhibition that features 10 handmade jewelry collections. Meant to celebrate the vast richness of Oklahoma's landscape, each collection will represent one of the 10 geophysical land regions found in her home state.

The Skirvin Hilton is thrilled to welcome Woods and is confident hotel guests will enjoy the variety of integrated colors, semiprecious gemstones, glass and gold-filled components encompassing this Artist-in-Residence experience.

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About The Skirvin Hilton Hotel

The Skirvin Hilton originally opened in 1911 and has been synonymous with elegance and innovation for the past five generations, hosting oil barons, dignitaries, movie stars, political leaders and presidents ever since. Guests from around the globe have traveled through the downtown Skirvin Hilton to experience its unique sophistication and timelessness. In 2007, Skirvin Partners in Development, Marcus Hotels & Resorts and Hilton partnered on renovating the hotel to its original glory. The reopening event was designated as an official Oklahoma Centennial event and since the renovation, the hotel has earned AAA Four-Diamond rating every year and received the Mayor's Development Award for best downtown development. The Skirvin Hilton Hotel is owned and operated by Marcus Hotels & Resorts, in partnership with Skirvin Partners in Development.

The hotel features 225 luxuriously appointed guest rooms, including 20 one-bedroom suites, one presidential suite and 18,500 square feet of premiere meeting and pre-function space. It is home to the upscale Park Avenue Grill restaurant and Red Piano lounge.

The Skirvin Hilton was recognized as one of the Best Hotels in the USA by *U.S. News & World Report*, finishing as the #1 Hotel in Oklahoma City and the State of Oklahoma. The hotel remains on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Skirvin Hilton is located at One Park Avenue in Oklahoma City. For more information, please visit <u>www.skirvinhilton.com</u> and follow the company on <u>Facebook</u> (<u>www.facebook.com/TheSkirvinHilton</u>) and <u>Twitter</u> (@SkirvinHiltonOK).

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