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**** MEDIA ALERT ****

**11th ANNUAL CRAFTING A LEGACY SPRING LUNCHEON
HONORS VOLUNTEER EXTRAORDINAIRE PHYLLIS CHILDRRESS
Wednesday, April 29, 2020**

WHAT: Crafting a Legacy Spring Luncheon 2020

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft's 11th annual Crafting a Legacy Spring Luncheon will honor Phyllis Childress, a creative force and extraordinary volunteer, who has served as board president twice, led major fundraising efforts, and advocated for the nonprofit arts center in every imaginable way over the last 15 years.

The luncheon program will include a light-hearted "roast" of Phyllis by her best PALS (Pinkie Searls, Anne Kinder, Lynn Baird, and Susan Padon). Guests will have the opportunity to bid on fine craft made by celebrated artists in the silent auction and purchase stunning centerpiece artworks.

Proceeds from the Spring Luncheon will benefit HCCC and its mission to advance education on the process, product, and history of craft. By showcasing emerging and acclaimed artists in exhibitions, introducing visitors of all ages to contemporary craft through hands-on programming, and supporting the development of working artists through its artist residency program, HCCC has served as a treasured resource in the Houston arts community and the region for nearly 20 years.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 29, 2020, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**WHERE: River Oaks Country Club, 1600 River Oaks Blvd., Houston, TX 77019****CO-CHAIRS: Cathy Brock & Anny Whyte****HONOREE: Phyllis Childress****EVENT WEB PAGE:**

<https://www.crafthouston.org/events/crafting-a-legacy-spring-luncheon-2020/>

TICKETS & TABLES: Tables: \$1,500 - \$25,000; single tickets: \$150 - \$500. Purchase tickets online starting February 18 at <https://www.crafthouston.org/events/crafting-a-legacy-spring-luncheon-2020/>. For more information, contact legacy@crafthouston.org or call 713-529-4848 x 106.

SPONSORS: PaperCity Magazine, exclusive print sponsor**ABOUT HCCC:**

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft (HCCC) is a nonprofit visual arts center dedicated to advancing education about the process, product, and history of craft. HCCC provides exhibition, retail, and studio spaces to support the work of local and national artists and serves as a resource for artists, educators, and the community at large.

Located in the Museum District at 4848 Main Street, HCCC is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 AM – 5 PM, and Sunday, 12 – 5 PM. Holidays: Closed Easter, July 4th, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Admission is free. Free parking is available directly behind the facility, off Rosedale and Travis Street. HCCC is three blocks south of Wheeler Ave. MetroRail station on Main Street.

HCCC is supported by individual donors and members and funded in part by The Brown Foundation; Houston Endowment, Inc.; the City of Houston through the Houston Arts Alliance; Texas Commission on the Arts; the National Endowment for the Arts, the Kinder Foundation; the Morgan Foundation; Windgate Charitable

Foundation; and the Wortham Foundation. HCCC is a member of the Houston Museum District and the Midtown Arts District. For more information, call 713-529-4848 or visit www.crafthouston.org. Find HCCC on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram @CraftHouston.

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