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Winners Announced for 31st Annual Bucks County Sculpture Show
Sponsored by The Lomax Companies

The Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce and Benefactor **The Lomax Companies** present the **31st Annual Bucks County Sculpture Show** founded by **Dr. Selma Burke**. The show commences with a special Preview Reception that is free and open to the public on Thursday, September 18, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Keenan Motors, 4311 Swamp Road, Doylestown. The reception will be catered courtesy of **Memorable Affairs Catering** with wines donated by **Buckingham Valley Vineyards**. The Show will continue through October 8 and will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

John Bray, Vice President of Vincent Pools, Inc., and Chairman of the Bucks County Sculpture Show said “I enjoyed viewing all of the submissions for this year’s show which reminded me once again what an incredible pool of artistic talent we have in our community.”

Sculptor John C. Rodgers *"An Echo Led the Way"* was awarded First Place in this year’s exhibit. A graduate of the Tyler School of Art, Rodgers is currently celebrating his 20th year teaching sculpture at Upper Dublin High School. Of his winning piece, Rodgers says “the inspiration is directly attributable to an annual woodworking/sculpture workshop held at Bucks County Community College. The “ECHO” conference just completed its tenth year and I have been inspired by the 40+ artisans whom I have had the pleasure of working with for the past four years.”

There was a tie for Second Place that went to Bill Marshall for his bronze piece entitled “Descending Scales” and Richard Summons bronze and marble sculpture entitled “The Offering” (Fish). Third Place was awarded to Ottsville Copper Artist David Horn for “Vortex Pyramid.”

The show will present 36 pieces that will be on exhibit at Keenan Motors, The Bucks County Sculpture Show, an event of the Bucks Fever program of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce, is one of the region’s only juried shows exclusively devoted to three dimensional works of area artists. The jurors who selected the pieces for this year’s Show were Cory Amsler (The Mercer Museum), Architect George J. Donovan AIA (George J. Donovan AIA & Associates); and Robin Larsen, New Hope Arts.

Hours of the show are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce at 215-348-3913 or visit www.centralbuckschamber.com

Photo Captions:

First Place – "An Echo Led the Way" BY John Rodgers

Beverly and Walter Lomax, Sculpture Show Benefactors (The Lomax Companies)

Jack Skudris (Memorable Affairs Catering)

The Bucks County Sculpture Show was founded in 1977 by renowned sculptor, illustrator, painter, and New Hope resident, Dr. Selma Burke; (1900 – 1995). Today, the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce continues the legacy of this great artist through the annual Bucks County Sculpture Show, a part of the Chamber's *Bucks Fever Celebration of the Arts* program.

The Bucks County Sculpture Show is part of the Chamber's *Bucks Fever – a Celebration of the Arts* program. Founded over two decades ago, Bucks Fever augments the economic vitality of Bucks County by showcasing the region's art, culture and history as a tourist destination. Bucks Fever is comprised of six major events including the Byers Art Exhibition (*April*); Artists Studio Tour (*May*); Brown Bag-It with the Arts (weekly musical series *May-August*); Excellence in Design Architectural Tour (September); and the Bucks County Sculpture Show founded by Dr. Selma Burke (October). In addition to these Chamber events, the Chamber produces and distributes 50,000 copies of the popular *Bucks Fever* brochure that promotes hundreds of Bucks County nonprofit art, culture and history events from March – October. The Major Benefactor for the 2007 Bucks Fever series is Univest National Bank & Trust Co.

The mission of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce is to build alliances among its members by uniting business, industry, professionals, artists and non-profit organizations. The Chamber serves as a catalyst that creates a rich business climate and improves the quality of life in the community. The Chamber is devoted to furthering the arts, humanities and welfare of the Central Bucks region. For more information on Bucks Fever or the Central Bucks Chamber, visit www.centralbuckschamber.com or call (215) 348-3913.