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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# KCHEA appoints New Board Member, Elects Officers for 2020

The Kentucky Craft History and Education Association is pleased to announce the recent addition of several new members to its board of directors. They include Judy Kushner, Karen McIntyre, and Tara Bellando who have each agreed to serve a one-year term offered to new board members in consideration of a full three-year term.

Judy Kushner, Georgetown, is a fiber artist who creates colorful neckties and scarves that she sells throughout Kentucky. She is a juried member of the Kentucky Crafted Program, Louisville Artisans Guild, and the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen.

Tara Bellando, Berea, has a long history of involvement with Kentucky's craft industry as trade show coordinator for Churchill Weavers and assistant director of Berea Craft Enterprises, presenter of the Berea Craft Festival, for nearly 20 years. She worked as a sales associate and was the recent owner of Promenade Gallery, a recognized Berea Art Gallery. Tara also has a background in theater and film production.

Karen McIntyre, Lexington, is a Fiduciary Investment Advisor at Unified Trust Company. She has more than 12 years of experience working with high-net-worth clients as well as the emerging affluent in matters of financial management and retirement planning. She serves as a volunteer and fundraiser for several local charities.

KCHEA elected officers during its recent annual meeting: Philis Alvic, Lexington, President; Larry Isenhour, Lexington, Treasurer; and Fran Redmon, Frankfort, Secretary. Other board members include Peggy McAllister, Lexington; Mary Reed, Irvine; and Abby Vaughn, Lexington.

The board extends its appreciation to Bob Gates, Frankfort, who is stepping down after two terms. Bob contributed to KCHEA's mission as chair of the Craft Luminary Project, which documents Kentucky craft history through video oral histories, and by helping to produce the Craft Luminary Exhibit, Sharing the Stories.

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The Kentucky Craft History and Education Association gathers, conserves and presents the history and on-going impact of crafts in Kentucky.

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