

“In Sight;Sight In” by Martha Bird opening at Susan Hensel Gallery

MINNEAPOLIS, MN, USA, December 4, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Susan Hensel](#) Gallery welcomes back multidisciplinary artist [Martha Bird](#) with her new show In Sight/Sight In.

The solo exhibition runs from October 15th to December 15th, giving audiences a look at Bird’s natural fiber work created in the aftermath of a global pandemic and during a global social uprising. Though the pieces connect to themes that cover much history and geography, the process remains deeply personal. Bird makes her [art](#) with willow that she sustainably raises and harvests — using this material to create objects that manage both a forceful presence and a delicate form.



Martha Bird artwork at susan hensel gallery

These pieces expand on the visual language Bird has developed over a nearly three-decade-long career. Incorporating universal patterns that form the basis of all life, most notably the spiral, the artist then expounds on this primordial level. With In Sight/Sight In, she brings this geometry into a social dimension and places it in a dialogue with the zeitgeist.

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Artwork by Martha Bird created from 2022 - 2023 in the aftermath of a global pandemic and worldwide social uprising movement. ”
Susan Hensel - Gallery Owner

Bird’s oeuvre emerges out of the basket making tradition, turning these techniques to the creation of forms that hum with a profound spiritual sense and cosmic perspective.

This higher level is always grounded in lived experience — often informed by the everyday miracle of living in a body. Her approach is developed even further with In Sight/Sight In, as the realm of society is brought into relation with the individual and the universal.

Raised just outside Milwaukee, Minnesota, Bird began her career as a Public Nurse and has since

gone on to receive a Masters of Arts in Human Development from St. Mary's University. While studying there, she developed a model for achieving wellness through art.

Bird has exhibited across the country, with shows at the Newark-Arcadia History Center, the Minnesota History Center, the National Cause Based Art Program, and more. She's received many awards and honors, including multiple Minnesota State Art Board. Bird is a fixture in the Minnesota arts scene as a presenter, curator, writer, organizer, teacher, and advocate.

The Susan Hensel Gallery is proud to once again bring Martha Bird's work to their online space. In Sight/Sight In encapsulates the gallery's focus on compelling objects, meaningful use of materials, and engaging sculpture. It is a place where experimental ideas and works of the hand join to create unique sensory experiences — both in person and in the digital realm.

Click here to see In Sight;Sight In by Martha Bird beginning October 15th and running until December 15th.

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