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Paul G. Allen Family Foundation Awards Museum of Contemporary Craft \$40,000 Grant

PORTLAND, OR – February 11, 2010 – Museum of Contemporary Craft is pleased to announce that the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation awarded the Museum with a \$40,000 Arts and Culture Grant. The grant supports Museum of Contemporary Craft’s integration with the Pacific Northwest College of Art by providing funds to build capacity in the areas of fundraising, audience development, and memberships.

“We are grateful to the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation for their generous support, helping to strengthen the relationship of the College and Museum as we continue forward in our integration,” said Tom Manley, president of Pacific Northwest College of Art.

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation’s latest grants continue to demonstrate the Foundation’s focus on supporting asset-building initiatives that promote long-term economic stability. “Clearly, even in challenging times, audiences find value and meaning in the creative work being developed and presented in our communities,” said Susan Coliton, vice president of The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation.

About Museum of Contemporary Craft

Committed to the advancement of craft since 1937, Museum of Contemporary Craft (MoCC) in partnership with Pacific Northwest College of Art is one of Oregon’s oldest cultural institutions. Centrally located in Portland’s Pearl District, the Museum is nationally acclaimed for its curatorial program and is a vibrant center for investigation and dialogue, expanding the definition of craft and the way audiences experience it.

About Pacific Northwest College of Art

Since its founding in 1909, Pacific Northwest College of Art (PNCA) has become a leader in innovative educational programs that connect students to a global perspective in the visual arts and design. In addition to its eight Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees, PNCA offers graduate education with an MFA in Visual Studies, as well as an MFA in Applied Craft and Design developed in collaboration with the Oregon College of Art and Craft.

PNCA is actively involved in Portland’s cultural life through exhibitions and a vibrant public program of lectures and internationally recognized visiting artists, designers and creative thinkers. With the support of PNCA+FIVE (Ford Institute for Visual Education), the College has a partnership with the nationally acclaimed Museum of Contemporary Craft. For more information, visit www.pnca.edu.