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Laura Rathe Fine Art Presents New Ceramic Works by Lucrecia Waggoner In Houston, TX

(Houston, TX – November, 2015) – Acclaimed Houston gallery, Laura Rathe Fine Art, announces an exhibition of new works by contemporary ceramic artist, Lucrecia Waggoner, in a solo show, *Inside Out*, with an opening reception on Saturday, December 5, from 6 - 9pm at 2707 Colquitt Street. The *Inside Out* collection will be on display through January 9, 2016.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Well-known Dallas artist Lucrecia Waggoner, raised in Mexico City, discovered ceramics at the age of 7 while taking an arts and crafts course at the *Museo de Antrpologia*. She followed her passions to Europe and Asia where she enrolled in ceramics classes and continued studying at Parson School of Design in New York.

Although she is known for her sleek minimalism, Waggoner's installations are multidimensional and present intricately mapped forms derived from nature. Ranging from one piece to several hundreds, the installations are composed of one of a kind sculptures. Her process has expanded to include a variety of forms, colors, and materials. She sometimes incorporates 22K gold leaf or other precious metals, like palladium or sterling silver wire, or emphasizes the



influence of nature by including wood and other plant like elements. In the *Inside Out* series, Waggoner continues to develop her technique by infusing a more contemporary edge into her vessels. Using vibrant colors and incorporating alternative media including sections of tree trunks, she is fully embracing the possibilities of her wall installations.

The inspiration for her work in the *Inside Out* series comes from a sincere passion within herself. As a Latin American artist, there is a spirit of evolution continually pushing her to grow and develop. Her art practice is an all-encompassing vessel through which her personal transformation can be portrayed and her soul can be reflected. These installations demonstrate her recent endeavor to expand her use of alternative media, and allow her to capture a sense of progression.

Waggoner has moved beyond the confines of functional pottery by crafting ornamental wall sculptures that are purely aesthetic. Using a potter's wheel to build clay into a delicate vessel, she has transformed porcelain into an intricate fine art form. Her works are shown internationally and acquired in various private, public and corporate collections.

ABOUT LAURA RATHE FINE ART

With over 25 years of experience in the art industry, gallery owner, Laura Rathe, started her career working as a private art dealer. She established the Laura Rathe Fine Art gallery in 1998 in Houston, Texas, located in Upper Kirby at 2707 Colquitt Street on Gallery Row. In February 2013, the gallery expanded and opened a second location in Dallas on Dragon Street, the city's premiere arts district destination. This September, LRFA expanded again with a third location in the heart of Uptown Houston, located at 1700 Post Oak Blvd in 1 BLVD Place.

Since the gallery's inception, Laura Rathe Fine Art has become reputable for representing and featuring established, mid-career contemporary artists, many of whom have been acquired into world-renowned private, corporate and museum collections. Various clientele and collections include BBVA Compass, HKS Architects Headquarters, CBRE, Wells Fargo, W Hotels, UTSW Hospital and Halliburton.

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