WINTERTHUR LICENSING DIRECTOR NAMED 2014 WOMEN IN BUSINESS HONOREE

Kristin Langerak DeMesse Selected for Prestigious Recognition by Delaware Today and Delaware Business Times

WINTERTHUR, DELAWARE—Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library is pleased to announce that Kristin Langerak DeMesse, Director of Licensing, has been named a 2014 Women in Business honoree by *Delaware Today* and *Delaware Business Times*. The December issue of *Delaware Today* includes a substantive editorial feature recognizing the accomplishments of DeMesse and 35 additional outstanding achievers in Delaware.

Delaware Today editors chose the women for their proven success and their remarkable strides in business, nonprofit, and academic fields.

"Winterthur is proud of the tremendous contributions Kris has made to the growth and success of product licensing," said Dr. David P. Roselle, Director of Winterthur. "Her expertise, energy, and creativity have been the driving force behind the development of myriad successful partnerships and product lines, including the impressive lines just introduced by furniture manufacturers Hickory Chair and Currey & Company. We congratulate Kris on this well-deserved recognition."

"We are so impressed with all the winners," says Suzanne Loudermilk, Executive Editor of *Delaware Today*. "When you read their inspiring stories, you will see how hard they've worked to achieve their dreams."

Kris has been employed at Winterthur in various capacities for 26 years. She has been Director of Licensing for 6 years.

"I am humbled and honored to be selected for this award," Kris said. "With more than 30 companies reproducing, adapting, or interpreting components of the Winterthur collection, I have the greatest job in the world overseeing which of the collection's beautiful designs may be licensed and then driving the creative process for their execution."

Delaware Today will honor the women cited in the December issue at both an upstate and downstate luncheon. This year's Women in Business upstate luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 9, at the Chase Center on the Riverfront. The keynote address will be delivered by 2014 Women in Business honoree Linda L. Ammons, counsel to the president for legal education at Widener University.

The downstate luncheon was held on Thursday, December 4, at the Atlantic Sands Hotel & Conference Center.

For more information about the event or the Women in Business honorees, visit DelawareToday.com.

For information on Winterthur, please visit Winterthur.org.

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Winterthur-known worldwide for its preeminent collection of American decorative arts, naturalistic gardens, and research library for the study of American art and material cultureoffers a variety of tours, exhibitions, programs, and activities throughout the year. General admission includes a tour of some of the most notable spaces in the 175-room house as well as access to the Winterthur Garden and Galleries, special exhibitions, a narrated tram tour (weather permitting), the Campbell Collection of Soup Tureens, and the Enchanted Woods children's garden. \$20 adults; \$18 for students and seniors; \$5 for ages 2-11.

Museum hours

10:00 am- 5:00 pm, Tuesday- Sunday.

Winterthur, located on Route 52, six miles northwest of Wilmington, Delaware, and five miles south of U.S. Route 1, is closed on Mondays (except during Yuletide), Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

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