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**AMERICAN CRAFT COUNCIL LAUNCHES *AMERICAN CRAFT INQUIRY*
The new craft journal is aimed at arts scholars and educators**

Minneapolis, MN – March 29, 2017 – The American Craft Council is excited to announce the launch of a new biannual craft publication.

American Craft Inquiry is a scholarly journal promoting discussion around craft's history, scholarship, artists, institutions, contemporary practices, and its impact on culture and society. There are four issues in the works. The first one will launch in late April of 2017. Each issue will include a number of essays and short writings by curators, artists, and researchers.

The first journal will include concepts and advanced dialogue from the 2016 American Craft Council's 2016 "Present Tense" conference, a reading list highlighting historic texts and artist books from the ACC Library, and contributions from associate professor Otto von Busch, author Sarah Archer, ACC trustee Lydia Matthews, curator Garth Johnson, ACC board chair Stuart Kestenbaum, ACC librarian Jessica Shaykett, ACC executive director Chris Amundsen, and ACC director of education Michael Radyk.

Issue two of *American Craft Inquiry*, landing in October 2017, will include writings from Sarah Archer, Amara Hark-Weber, Jennifer Zwilling, and Anne Carlisle. Of special note is an in-depth survey of glass criticism by William Warmus, who will examine the evolving scholarship in the history of glass as a medium for craft and art.

Visit craftcouncil.org/journal to learn more and subscribe.

About *American Craft Inquiry*

The ACC journal, *American Craft Inquiry*, seeks to enrich our understanding of craft, its history, scholarship, artists, institutions, makers, contemporary practices, and its impact on culture and society. Each issue is committed to presenting research and advocates for craft as an important cultural resource. Writers for *American Craft Inquiry* include curators, artists, and researchers. The publication also highlights materials found in the ACC Library and Archives.

About the American Craft Council

No one understands the world of artful living better than the American Craft Council. The national, nonprofit educational organization has been shaping the artisanal craft movement for decades, serving as a craft chronicler, tastemaker, convener, and provocateur through its magazine *American Craft*, annual juried shows presenting artists and their work, thought leadership conferences, awards for excellence, and research library. For further information, visit craftcouncil.org.

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