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John T. Sughrue – Dallas Art Fair Partner

Mr. Sughrue established Brook Partners in 1994 to capitalize on real estate investment opportunities in the Southwest. Since the early 1990s, Brook Partners and its principles have been involved in Downtown Dallas development projects exceeding \$500 million. Mr. Sughrue was one of the 2002 recipients of the Neiman Marcus Renaissance Award for significant contributions to the revitalization of Downtown Dallas. Recent projects include the Fashion Industry Gallery (“FIG”), Stephan Pyles’ flagship restaurant and Museum Tower, the ultimate luxury high rise in Dallas scheduled to break ground in the near future. Brook Partners is currently working with international investors on the strategic positioning of significant portfolios of assets both in the U.S. and abroad.

Among numerous civic endeavors, he is a member of the Advisory Board of the Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts and was a past chairman of America Scores Dallas, an after-school program that promotes literacy among inner-city elementary school children in the Dallas Independent School District.

Raised in Boston, Mr. Sughrue received his B.A. in Economics in 1982 from Harvard College and an M.B.A. from The Amos Tuck School of Dartmouth College in 1988.



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Christopher Byrne – Dallas Art Fair Partner

Art Dealer Chris Byrne graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Pennsylvania and a Four Year Painting Certificate from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. He has worked with many celebrated artists, curating one-person exhibitions and organizing museum lectures for William Anastasi, Ross Bleckner, Peter Halley, Peter Saul, Elaine Sturtevant, and Joe Zucker. He has published fine-art editions and in 2002, wrote the book *The Original Print*. He is currently Chairman of the Board of the American Visionary Art Museum and was part of the curatorial committee for the Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit's 2009 exhibition entitled, "Linkage: Artists Select Artists."

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