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Douglass Freed Presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who

Mr. Freed has been endorsed by Marquis Who's Who as a leader in fine arts and museum administration



SEDALIA, MO, September 19, 2019, Marquis Who's Who, the world's premier publisher of biographical profiles, is proud to present Douglass Freed with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award. An accomplished listee, Mr. Freed celebrates many years' experience in his professional network, and has been noted for achievements, leadership qualities, and the credentials and successes he has accrued in his field. As in all Marquis Who's Who biographical volumes, individuals profiled are selected on the basis of current reference value. Factors such as position, noteworthy accomplishments, visibility, and prominence in a field are all taken into account during the selection process.

Mr. Freed is an artist and a contemporary art museum director with more than 40 years of contributions to his field. From an early age, he knew he wanted to become an artist; his ambition was realized upon winning a statewide art contest as a fourth grader. Mr. Freed attended Fort Hays State University, completing a Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1967 and a Master of Arts in 1968.

Mr. Freed became a member of the faculty of State Fair Community College in Sedalia in 1968, and continued to serve both as a professor and as the chairman of the art department through 1999. From 2000 to 2008, he excelled as the director of the Daum Museum of Contemporary Art. In pursuing his craft, Mr. Freed has exhibited in more than 60 solo shows across the United States, including a 1979 early-career show at Vorpal Gallery.

Mr. Freed's work is represented in private and corporate collections throughout the world, and in the permanent collections of several institutions, including the University of Missouri Museum of Art and Archaeology, the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art and the Springfield Art Museum. His work was also represented in the Art in Embassies Program in Dakar, Senegal. He has served on the board of directors of the Missouri Arts Council from 1984 to 1987, the Sedalia Arts Council between 1980 and 1990, and the Sedalia Scott Joplin International Ragtime Arts Festival since 2016. Moreover, Mr. Freed is a grantee of the Mid-American Arts Alliance and has served on the board of Directors between 2008-2018. In 2007 he was presented with the Missouri Governor's Award for Leadership in the Arts for his lifelong dedication to the field.

In recognition of outstanding contributions to his profession and the Marquis Who's Who community, Douglass Freed has been featured on the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement website. Please visit www.ltachievers.com for more information about this honor.

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