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REALISTIC EQUINE SCULPTURE SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 2003 DIRECTORS & OFFICERS

BOISE, ID -- (December 20, 2002) -- The Realistic Equine Sculpture Society, an independent non-profit organization promoting artistic development in the field of equine sculpture, is pleased to announce its new 2003 directors and officers.

The new RESS directors taking office for 2003 are Elaine Lindelef, president, and Melissa Gaulding, vice president. The newest appointed officer is Kristin Berkery, public relations officer. Directors are nominated and elected by the membership, and officers are nominated by members or non-members and appointed by the presiding board of directors.

Lindelef is a founding partner of Cognitivity, an e-learning and document management software company located in Burbank, Calif. As RESS president, she is charged with presiding over board meetings and overseeing the organization's activities.

Gaulding is an educator at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. As vice president of RESS, she is responsible for performing all duties of the president in her absence, acts as assistant to the president, and assumes the office of president after the president's one-year term is completed.

Berkery is a marketing communications manager for the Woodwork Institute of California in West Sacramento, Calif. As RESS public relations officer, she is responsible for the organization's advertising and promotional campaigns.

During 2003, RESS will be accepting nominations for the following positions on the board of directors: vice president, secretary, treasurer, and membership administrator. Nominees do not have to be RESS members and will be voted on by the membership in late 2003. In addition, RESS is seeking nominations for the positions of international officer, recording officer, parliamentarian, and publications officer in 2003. Officers do not have to be RESS members and may be appointed by the board of directors at any time during the year.

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RESS also has openings on its Ways and Means Committee, Audit Committee, Election Committee, International Committee, Portfolio Review Panel, and Special Projects Committee. Committee members do not have to be members of RESS.

To submit a nomination for the RESS Board of Directors, Officers, or committees, send an email to ress@ress.org or call (208) 867-5732.

ABOUT RESS

Founded in 1998, the Realistic Equine Sculpture Society (RESS) is an independent nonprofit organization that promotes artistic development and encourages excellence in realistic equine sculpture. The organization serves a membership of more than 70 equine artists worldwide by publishing educational materials and sponsoring forums, clinics, retreats, scholarships, and an achievement program. Officers include Elaine Lindelef, president; Melissa Gaulding, vice president; Kathy Curtis, treasurer; Darian Buckles, program officer; and Sarah Minkiewicz-Breunig, secretary. More information about RESS membership can be found on the web at www.ress.org or by sending an email to ress@ress.org or by calling (208) 867-5732.

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