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**ArtTable’s New Leadership Award** recognizes an emerging professional who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and made considerable contributions to the visual art field in the earlier stages of their careers. This award was first introduced as part of ArtTable’s 25th anniversary celebration in 2005. Past awardees include La Tanya S. Autry, Wassan Al-Khudhairi, Erin Christovale, Lauren Haynes, Jami Powell, Alexandra Chang, Naima J. Keith, Lauren Cornell, Sara Raza, Naomi Beckwith, Amy Sadao, Sarah Douglas, Cecilia Alemani, Shamim Momin and Christine Y. Kim, Sarah Elizabeth Lewis, Andrea Barnwell, Melissa Chiu, Fairfax Dorn and Virginia Lebermann, Ellen Haddigan, Bronwyn Keenan, Sheri L. Pasquarella, Maura Reilly, Natasha Schlesinger, Laura Hoptman, Marysol Nieves, Jeanne Greenberg Rohatyn, and Olga Viso. This year’s award is Seven Square Inches of Water, a limited-edition artwork by Maya Lin created to benefit the “What Is Missing?” project.
ArtTable’s Annual Benefit & Award Ceremony

The April event is a signature annual benefit and award ceremony celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of exemplary professional women in the visual arts. Members and supporters from all over the country gather for a vibrant afternoon devoted to ArtTable’s mission to advance the leadership of women in the arts—a mandate as pressing as ever.

The 2022 event will include a luncheon, address from the awardees, a keynote speaker, and networking event to promote connections - old and new - following an organizational hiatus from in-person programming.