

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

# ALUMNAE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2015

PRESENTED TO



*Laurie Fendrich '70*

**LAURIE FENDRICH, CLASS OF 1970**, we honor you today with the Alumnae Achievement Award. This award is presented to alumnae whose accomplishments and service to society exemplify the values and virtues set forth by the College.

As an abstract painter and a professor of art for more than thirty-five years, you have contributed immeasurably to the inspiration and development of countless young artists. Your voice has inspired others to develop their own voices and to understand the valuable role of art and artists in society. After earning your master of fine arts degree at the School of the Art Institution in Chicago, you shared your talents at the University of Houston, University of South California, and the College of Design in Pasadena, California. An emerita faculty member at Hofstra University, your engagement with the arts community has been long-standing and revered.

Your work has been exhibited throughout the United States in a large number of solo and group exhibitions. You have gained wide recognition as an important abstract artist of the late twentieth and early twenty-first centuries. Not only are you a skilled artist and teacher but also an accomplished author and blogger. Your essays about art have appeared in publications such as *The Common Review* and *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. In recognition of your accomplishments and to support further work, you have been granted numerous fellowships, including a one-month residency in France from the Brown Foundation and a painting fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts.

For your contributions to the world of art, skillful teaching, and insightful writing on topics relating to cultural and social issues, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you, on your forty-fifth reunion, with the Mount Holyoke Alumnae Achievement Award.

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