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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **BARBARA SMAIL AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED**

Burlington, VT (January 13, 2009): Burlington City Arts is proud to announce the 2009 Barbara Smail Award winner, Vermont artist Jude Bond. The announcement was made during the opening exhibition of *Veiled Lineage* at the Firehouse Gallery on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Jude Bond, an artist and teacher, is the recipient of the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Barbara Smail Award.

Michael Metz, who nominated Bond for the award, writes, "Jude's work reads as if a many-layered text. Her collage work stitches together texture, color, form and meaning with results that are sometimes provocative, sometimes playful, but always memorable. There's nothing simple about her pieces yet they are extremely accessible at the same time."

Bond is a mixed media artist and member of 215 College Cooperative Gallery in Burlington, Vermont since its opening in April 2006. Her work is held in a number of private collections, has appeared in *Eating Well Magazine*, and has been shown at the AIR Gallery in New York City, Studio Place Arts in Barre, VT, and the FlynnDog Gallery in Burlington as well as part of the South End Art Hop. Jude, who has a Masters in Educational Administration from the University of Vermont, has been an arts educator for over thirty years and is currently the Early Arts Coordinator for Burlington City Arts, a

position she has held since 1994. In this capacity Jude teaches art to ages 1-5, and presents teacher and parent education workshops for area agencies throughout the state.

As the recipient of the 2008 Barbara Smail Award, Bond will receive \$1000 and use of Burlington City Arts' facilities for one year, which include the Print and Clay Studio at 250 Main Street and the BCA Community Darkroom. Friends and family of Barbara Smail, a well-loved and highly respected artist from the Burlington area who died in the fall of 2001, established the Barbara Smail Award. The award is given to a mid-career Vermont-based artist who has a desire to expand his or her creative experience and has displayed an enthusiastic support of his or her peers. Previous award winners include Carol MacDonald, Jennifer Koch, Diane Gabriel, Catherine Hall, Lynn Rupe, and Peter Gallo.

The Barbara Smail Award is an important part of Burlington City Arts, who is dedicated to the promotion of excellence, experimentation, and education in all forms of contemporary art. For more information about gallery exhibitions, special events, classes and workshops, please call 802.865.7166 or visit [BURLINGTONCITYARTS.COM](http://BURLINGTONCITYARTS.COM).

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