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### Sixty Seven Floral Design Professionals Inducted as AIFD® Accredited Members

**BALTIMORE (July 2016)** – During ceremonies at the recent National Symposium the American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD) inducted 67 floral design artists from around the world as Accredited Members of the Institute. Induction ceremonies took place July 5 during the Institute's 2016 Induction Ceremony "Inspiration Through Diversity" held in conjunction with its 2016 National Symposium "Inspiration" in Orange County, Calif.

As accredited members of AIFD, the 67 honorees will now be able to use "AIFD®" and "CFD®" addenda as part of their professional name. The inductees include: **Martha Aaron CFD** of Sedona, Ariz., **Angelica Avalos CFD** of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, **Samantha Bates CFD** of Ponchatoula, La., **Lindsey Luree Busch CFD** of St. Paul, Minn., **Lindsie Carter CFD** of Elkton, Md., **Chintzu Dela Olen CFD** of Tamarac, Fla., **Sveflana Chernyavsky CFD** of Alameda, Calif., **Maureen Christmas CFD** of Acton, Maine, **Theresa B. Clower CFD** of Newark, Del., **Janet Jacqueline Corrao CFD** of Nutley, N.J., **Manuel Cuate Velazquez CFD** of Anaheim, Calif., **Patti Fawler CFD** of Pittsburgh, Pa., **Gordon Fulton CFD** of Alberta, Canada, **Darcie Garcia CFD** of Zionsville, Pa., **Khoi Minh Ha CFD** of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, **Penny Hamann CFD\*** of Warner Robins, Ga., **Adam Havrilla CFD** of Chicago, Ill., **Hope Leah Hestand CFD** of Anchorage, Alaska., **Alson Hobson CFD** of Bentonville, Ariz., **Min Hee Hong CFD** of Gyeonggi-do, South Korea, **Betty Houle CFD** of Alberta, Canada, **Heejin Hur CFD** of Gyeonggi-do, South Korea, **Deborah K. Kenney CFD**, AZMF of Spokane, Kan., **Ji An Kim CFD** of Gyeonggi-do, South Korea, **Mikung Kim CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Karen Kroemer-Spiess CFD** of Belgrade, Mont., **Yoli LaGuerre CFD** of Rye, N.Y., **John Lechlitter CFD** of East McKeesport, Pa., **Bolami Lee CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Hye Jin Lee CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Peggie Lipps CFD**, CPF of Windsor, Colo., **Ivonne Lozano CFD** of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, **Keiko Maeda CFD** of Nagasaki, Japan, **Reginald Merritt CFD** of Modesto, Calif., **Tonya Mitchell CFD** of Fair Oaks, Calif., **Dennis P. Mueggenborg CFD** of Kingfisher, Okla., **Linda Murray CFD** of Egg Harbor City, N.J., **Brenda Nava Compos CFD** of Chihuahua, Mexico, **Amy C. Neugebauer CFD**, TMFA of The Woodlands, Texas, **Seungmin Oh CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Mi Youn Park CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Seon Min Park CFD** of Daegu, South Korea, **Michele C. Peters CFD** of Albany, N.Y., **Renee' Polreis CFD**, SDCF of Mitchell, S.D., **Renee Potter CFD** of Tempe, Ariz., **Robert Robertson CFD**, AMF of Fort Smith, Ariz., **Sang Mi Ryu CFD** of Seoul, South Korea, **Dolores Rivera Santos CFD** of Distrito Federal, Mexico, **Shellain Alyse Sarver CFD** of Pella, Iowa, **Kay Schlaefli CFD**, AMF of Fort Smith, Ariz., **Cullen Brooke Schneider CFD** of Blue Hill, Maine, **Thaddeus Servantez CFD** of Westminster, Colo., **Nishazad Sheikh CFD** of Sunrise, Fla., **Kari Smith CFD** of Denver, Colo., **Gina Thresher CFD** of Kent, Wash., **Angelyn Tipton CFD** of Barnesville, Ga., **Shannon Teresa Toal CFD** of Philadelphia, Pa., **Cindy Tole CFD** of Greensboro, N.C., **Richard Trujillo CFD** of Dallas, Texas, **Renee J. Tucci CFD** of Chalfont, Pa., **Robert Paul Tucker CFD** of Leesburg, Fla., **Barbie Turner CFD** of Bluffton, S.C., **Patricia Upshaw CFD** of Rogers, Ariz., **Kouichi Utada CFD** of Shibuya, Tokyo, **Martha Wiggs CFD** of Sedona, Ariz., **Jan Wilder CFD** of Costa Mesa, Calif., **Karyn Wloczewski CFD** of Vista, Calif., and **Erika Zamora CFD** of Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

For more information on becoming "Accredited in Floral Design" visit the website [aifd.org](http://aifd.org).

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The mission of the American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD) is to advance the art of professional floral design through education, service and leadership, and to recognize the achievement of excellence in this art form. Established in 1965 AIFD is, today, the floral industry's leading non-profit organization dedicated to establishing, maintaining and recognizing the highest standard of professional floral design. AIFD and its accredited members are in the forefront of the industry in presenting educational design programs and in designing flowers for events worldwide. Find more information at [aifd.org](http://aifd.org).