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## **WARE MALCOMB CEO LAWRENCE R. ARMSTRONG RECEIVES ADVOCACY AWARD AT KENT STATE UNIVERSITY**

**IRVINE, Calif. (October 12, 2018)** – Ware Malcomb, an award-winning international design firm, today announced its Chief Executive Officer, Lawrence R. Armstrong, has received the Kent State University Advocacy Award together with his wife, Sandra C. Armstrong. The Kent State University Alumni Association honored the couple and other 2018 Alumni Award recipients for their exceptional contributions in their chosen field, in their communities, and at Kent State University at a special ceremony on October 5, 2018. Sponsored by the Kent State University Alumni Association, the Alumni Awards are the university's most prestigious honors given to alumni.

"It's an amazing honor for Sandy and me to receive this award from our alma mater," said Lawrence R. Armstrong, Chief Executive Officer of Ware Malcomb. "My experience at Kent State had a tremendous impact on my future work as an architect and an artist, and we are happy to be able to contribute to the university."

In 2016, the new Lawrence R. and Sandra C. Armstrong Gallery located within Kent State University's new College of Architecture and Environmental Design (CAED) building was opened. As an important venue for expanded knowledge and peer-reviewed experimentation in the area of visual arts, the Lawrence R. and Sandra C. Armstrong Gallery features student and faculty projects, site-specific installations, traveling exhibitions, design competitions and other curated events that expand the CAED's audiences and partnerships. It also provides a thought-provoking public forum for design discourse and dissemination.

Armstrong and his wife also founded the Armstrong Family Scholarship for the College Architecture & Environmental Design and the Armstrong Family Visiting Artist Series for the School of Theatre and Dance. Established in 2013, the Armstrong Family Visiting Artist Series is a unique program that allows a guest professional choreographer to be invited to work with students each year.

Armstrong, who is also an accomplished artist, exhibited his Layered Vision series at the opening of the Lawrence R. and Sandra C. Armstrong Gallery, and later donated one of the pieces from the exhibit for permanent display. More information on Armstrong's personal work as an artist can be found at [www.lraart.com](http://www.lraart.com).

Armstrong is a current member and past Chair of the Kent State University Foundation Board of Directors, and he and his wife serve as Co-Chairs of the Kent State Comprehensive Campaign Executive Committee. In 2013, Armstrong was the keynote speaker at Kent State's Spring Commencement ceremonies.

### **About Ware Malcomb ([waremalcomb.com](http://waremalcomb.com))**

Established in 1972, Ware Malcomb is an international design firm providing planning, architecture, interior design, branding and civil engineering services to commercial real estate and corporate clients. With 22 [office locations](#) throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and Panama, the firm specializes in the design of commercial office, corporate, industrial, science & technology, healthcare, retail, auto, public/educational facilities and renovation projects. Ware Malcomb is recognized as an Inc. 5000 fastest-growing private company and a Hot Firm and Best Firm to Work For by Zweig Group. The firm is also ranked among the top 20 architecture/engineering firms in *Engineering News-Record's* Top 500 Design Firms and the top 30 interior design firms in *Interior Design* magazine's Top 100 Giants. For more information, visit [waremalcomb.com/news](http://waremalcomb.com/news) and view Ware Malcomb's [Design Highlights](#) video at [youtube.com/waremalcomb](http://youtube.com/waremalcomb).

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