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Susie Ganch Sculpture Installed at Summit Pointe
Abstract steel wall relief is on view at 555 Belaire

CHESAPEAKE, Va. – (August 10, 2021) – Richmond-based artist Susie Ganch has installed a custom-built sculpture at Summit Pointe, the new metropolitan center in Chesapeake.

The site-specific sculpture installed in the lobby of 555 Belaire is titled *Labor*. According to Ganch, *Labor* is from a body of work inspired by bridge constructions. The artist describes the sculpture as the collaboration of steel cables, creating a three-dimensional drawing that reveals how the incredibly strong material is also buoyant and active. Never the same drawing, the sculpture changes each time it is installed, celebrating spontaneity and process.

Ganch constructs works of art that are comprised of multiple interdependent parts. Held together by tension, her pieces have structural integrity but also flexibility and fragility. Ganch says this dynamic balance mimics the cooperative nature of the universe.

Ganch is a first-generation American artist of Hungarian heritage. She is a sculptor, jeweler and educator living in Richmond, Va. where she is interim chair for the department of craft/material studies at Virginia Commonwealth University. Ganch received her Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Part of her practice is Directing Radical Jewelry Makeover, an international jewelry mining and recycling project that continues to travel across the country and abroad. Issues of waste and cultural habits of consumption are imbued through her work.

Recent solo exhibitions include *Have a Nice Day*, Quirk Gallery, Richmond, Va.; *How Soon is Now?*, MS State University; *TIED*, an ArtForum Critics' pick, Visual Arts Center, Richmond, Va.; and *Land and Sea*, Sienna Patti Contemporary Gallery, Lenox, Ma. Her work has been included nationally and internationally in museum exhibitions including: Smithsonian National Museum for Women in the Arts; MFA Boston; the Design Museum, London; the National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia; Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo, Japan; Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI and Milwaukee Art Museum. Public/private collections include: LACMA, Los Angeles, CA; Asheville Art Museum, NC; MFA Boston, MA; Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA; Metal Museum, Memphis, TN; Quirk Hotel, Richmond, VA; John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI, and Kohler Company, Kohler, WI.

Ganch has received grant funding from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Fellowship, Peter S. Reed Foundation Grant; Theresa Pollack Fine Art Award, a VA Commission for the Arts Grant; and multiple VCU Faculty Research Grants. She is represented by Sienna Patti Contemporary Gallery. Learn more at www.susieganch.com and www.radicaljewelrymakeover.org.

Ganch's work is displayed in the multi-story lobby that also includes a 26- by 20-foot mural painted by Matthew Curran.

[Summit Pointe](http://SummitPointe) is Coastal Virginia's newest \$330 million metropolitan center and lifestyle community, located on 69 acres in Virginia's second most populous city. When complete, Summit Pointe will include more than one million square feet of office space, up to 500,000 square feet of retail space, approximately 250,000 square feet of hospitality and conference space, and 1,400-plus residences. Completion and occupancy of Helix, the first apartment building with 133 residences, was achieved in summer 2020. 555 Belaire, a six-story, 150,000-square-foot office building, was also completed in summer 2020. Construction was started on Mosaic, a \$68 million multi-use development, in March 2021 to include 270 apartments, restaurants, shops and additional structured public parking for 500 cars. For more information, visit summitpointeva.com.

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