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disability as well as gender. McDonald discusses the work of a wide

range of women artists, including B