

Media Advisory

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Art Gallery of Alberta to announce new partnership

Multi-year relationship will help tell the story of Alberta artists
A new agreement will enable the new Gallery to showcase works of art by Albertans

EDMONTON, AB – The Art Gallery of Alberta (AGA) will announce a new, multi-year partnership. This unique partnership will support existing and new projects focusing on Alberta art and celebrating artists. The announcement will take place in the Ledcor Theatre of the new Gallery building on **Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 10 am**. As a part of the announcement the names of the artists selected for the **2010 Alberta Biennial of Contemporary Art** will be released. The work of the 22 Alberta-based artists have been selected by curator **Richard Rhodes**, the Editor of **Canadian Art**, to be shown in **the summer of 2010** as a central part of the Art Gallery of Alberta's inaugural exhibitions in the new building in downtown Edmonton.

MEDIA INVITED TO ATTEND

**Tuesday, January 19, 2010
10 am**

Art Gallery of Alberta, 2 Winston Churchill Square
Edmonton, AB

For more information on the Art Gallery of Alberta, please visit the AGA website.

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ABOUT THE ART GALLERY OF ALBERTA

The Art Gallery of Alberta is creating a new gallery—a “New Vision” for Alberta's capital. After a global architectural competition, Los Angeles based Randall Stout Architects, Inc. was selected to design the new gallery. With opening exhibitions in early 2010, the new AGA will be an 85,000 square foot premier presentation venue for international and Canadian art, education and scholarship. The new AGA will be a centre of excellence for the visual arts in Western Canada in the 21st century, expressing the creative spirit of Alberta and connecting people, art and ideas.

Founded in 1924, the Art Gallery of Alberta (AGA) is the oldest cultural institution in Alberta and the only museum in the province strictly devoted to the exhibition and preservation of art and visual culture. Serving both the city of Edmonton and the province of Alberta, the Gallery maintains a collection of nearly 6,000 objects. The AGA is focused on the development and presentation of original exhibitions of contemporary and historical art; on building national and international curatorial partnerships for the creation of new exhibition projects; and on the development and delivery of a program of touring exhibitions that disseminate contemporary and historical art within Alberta and across Canada.

The AGA is a not-for-profit organization that relies on the generous support of its Members, donors, sponsors and government. The Art Gallery of Alberta is grateful for the generous support of the many public and private donors and sponsors who have made the AGA's New Vision possible, as well as the ongoing support of the City of Edmonton, the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, The Canada Council for the Arts and our Members.

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