

NOMINATION PACKAGE RBC EMERGING ARTIST AWARD

Deadline: Friday, January 5, 2018, 4:30PM

The **RBC Emerging Artist Award** was established to recognize up-and-coming, Calgary-based artists. The award recognizes that a thriving cultural community includes artists who choose to live and build their careers in Calgary from the onset. The intent of the award is to bring recognition and awareness to outstanding artists in the early phases of their careers.

This is a \$5,000 cash award, with funds intended to support and encourage artistic work of up-and-coming artists. The award will be presented to the recipient as part of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions event in March 2018.

This award is sponsored by **RBC** and is a legacy project of Calgary 2012, Calgary's year as a Cultural Capital of Canada.

About RBC

RBC is a leader of investment in youth and arts in our communities. RBC knows that when you believe in young people, anything is possible. That is why they have continued to support programs that give youth the opportunities they need to succeed.

Award Rules & Criteria

1. Eligibility

Nominees for the RBC Emerging Artist Award must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a Calgary resident since the beginning of the nomination year (2017).
- Have an artistic career that has not exceeded five years.
- Be currently pursuing their artistic work in Calgary.

2. Nominations

Individuals may self-nominate for this award. Nomination packages must include the following:

- One (1) copy of the nomination form available at the end of this document signed by both the nominee and nominator.
- One (1) 30-word synopsis of why the nominee has been nominated (may be used for publication and media purposes if the nominee is selected to receive the award).

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- One (1) letter of nomination (1,000 words or less) from a peer or colleague within the artist's field of work.
- Up to five (5) pieces* of support material demonstrating the work of the nominee as it pertains to this award. Please note these materials must be submitted in the following file formats, and each file can be a maximum of 3MB: JPEG, PDF, DOC, DOCX, MP3, YouTube or Vimeo link.

*Please note that a piece of support material is equal to one piece of the nominee's work, not one digital file. One file containing five different images of an artist's work will be considered as five pieces of support material, not one.

3. Jury

The awards jury will be composed of artistic peers and community members based in Calgary. Jury members are not disclosed in advance of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions. In the event of a perceived conflict of interest, an alternate will replace the jury member in question. The jury will operate with strict confidentiality. All decisions are final. Calgary Arts Development may screen nominations to verify eligibility.

4. Selection Criteria

The award recipient will be selected based on the following criteria:

Artistic Merit - maximum of six points

- How is the nominee's artistic expression unique?
- How can the nominee's level of accomplishment be measured against peers at similar stages of development?
- Is the nominee recognized as a professional by their peers?

Impact on the Community - maximum off five points

• What is the nominee's commitment to Calgary's arts community?

Impact on the Artist - maximum of three points

• To what extent will the award help the nominee develop their career?

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Special Considerations - maximum of one point

• Are there any extenuating considerations that are not addressed by the criteria above?

5. Notification

All nominators and nominees will receive acknowledgement of receipt by mail and email and will be notified of whether their applications were successful in advance of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions. The recipient will be asked to keep the status of their nomination confidential until the event, and will also be asked to accommodate the filming of a recipient video.

6. Deadlines and Delivery

The deadline for uploading of complete nomination packages is **4:30pm on January 5, 2018**. Complete applications must be submitted online through **calgaryartsdevelopment.com** on or before the deadline. Incomplete or late nominations will not be accepted or considered. If you have nominated someone and did not receive acknowledgement of receipt of notification, please contact Kaley Beisiegel at **kaley.beisiegel@calgaryartsdevelopment.com**.

Before submitting your nomination package, ensure that you have prepared:

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- ☐ One (1) copy of a letter of nomination (1,000 words or less) signed by the nominator.
- ☐ One (1) copy of a 30-word synopsis of why the nominee has been nominated.
- □ Up to five (5) pieces* of support material demonstrating the work of the nominee and their suitability for this award.

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For more information about the RBC Emerging Artist Award, please email awards@mayorslunch.com.

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NOMINATOR

In this case of a self-nomination, please have this section completed by the individual writing your letter of nomination.

Name:						
Phone:	Email:					
Mailing Address:						
I Nominate:						
Signature:	Date:					
Printed Name:	Title:					
NOMINATED ARTIST						
Name:						
Phone:	Email:					
Mailing Address:						
I agree to be nominated for the above award and understand that, if successful, I will be available to film a recipient video, attend the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions and be available for media interviews/photographs following the event. I agree to allow Calgary Arts Development the use of photos/video taken before and at the event for promotional purposes.						
Signature:	Date:					
Printed Name:						

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