



Cultural Leaders Legacy Artist Awards 2021

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DOUG AND LOIS MITCHELL OUTSTANDING CALGARY ARTIST AWARD

Deadline: Friday, January 15, 2021, 4:30pm

The **Doug and Lois Mitchell Outstanding Calgary Artist Award** was established to honour artists who are lauded for their work in national and international arenas and choose to make Calgary their home. Regardless of career length, these artists are acknowledged by their peers around the world for the caliber of their work and their contributions to the arts. They are innovators who have significantly enriched artistic discourse in Canada. This award is an opportunity for Calgarians to celebrate our own.

This is a \$5,000 cash award, with funds intended to support artistic work. The award will be presented to the recipient as part of the Mayor's Lunch for Arts Champions event in 2021 or at an alternate awards presentation event. The winner of this award will also receive a one-week residency at Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity.

This award was established by Doug and Lois Mitchell and Calgary 2012 and is a legacy project of Calgary's year as a Cultural Capital of Canada.

About Doug and Lois Mitchell

As the co-chairs of Calgary 2012, Calgary's year as a Cultural Capital of Canada, Their Honours helped shine a spotlight on the vibrancy of arts, culture and heritage in our city.

Beyond our Cultural Capital year, Doug and Lois Mitchell know that our city's artists need to continue to be recognized in the global arena for their talent and contributions to Calgary. That's why they saw the need to establish an award that calls attention to those artists who receive accolades from international peers, and acknowledges their role in the continued success of our city.

Award Rules & Criteria

1. Eligibility

Nominees for the Doug and Lois Mitchell Outstanding Calgary Artist Award must meet all of the following criteria:

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- Hold Calgary as their primary place of residence.
- Be a professional artist, defined by the Canada Council for the Arts as an artist who:
 - Has specialized training in their artistic field (not necessarily obtained in an academic institution).
 - Is recognized as such by their peers (artists working in the same artistic tradition).
 - Is committed to devoting more time to the artistic activity if this becomes financially feasible.
 - Has a history of public presentation.

2. Nominations

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) copy of a 30-word synopsis of why the nominee has been nominated (may be used for publication and media purposes in the event the nominee is selected to receive the award).
- One (1) letter of nomination (1,000 words or less).
- One (1) copy of the nominee's Curriculum Vitae.
- 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 or examples of the nominees' work will be considered as five pieces of support material, not one.

3. Jury

The award jury is composed of artistic peers and community members based in Calgary. Its members remain consistent for each year the award is presented, with the exception of the previous year's Doug and Lois Mitchell Outstanding Calgary Artist Award winner, should they choose to participate.

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The award jury reserves the right to revisit nominations submitted in previous years. In the event of a perceived conflict of interest, that jury member will refrain from commenting on the nomination 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

- How has the nominee contributed to the evolution of their artistic discipline over the course of their career?
- How is the nominee recognized as a leader by their national and international peers?
- Has the nominee been recognized by national and international audiences and patrons?

Impact on the Community

- What is the nominee's commitment to Calgary's arts community?
- How does the nominee serve as an ambassador for Calgary artists and citizens when undertaking their national and international work?

Impact on the Artist

- Will this award afford opportunities to the artist that they do not currently have?

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.

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6. Deadlines and Delivery

The deadline for uploading of complete nomination packages is **4:30pm on January 15, 2021**. 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:

- One (1) copy of the nomination form, signed by both the nominee and nominator.
- 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.
- One (1) copy of the nominee's Curriculum Vitae.
- 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 Doug and Lois Mitchell Outstanding Calgary Artist Award, email awards@mayorslunch.com.

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NOMINATOR

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Mailing Address:

I Nominate:

Signature:

Date:

Printed Name:

Title:

NOMINATED ARTIST OR ORGANIZATION

Name:

Contact Person:

Title:

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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