

## Art Gallery of Mississauga Hires Musha Neluheni As New TD Programming Curator

**February 14, 2024 – MISSISSAUGA, ON -** The Art Gallery of Mississauga (AGM) is excited to announce the hiring of Musha Neluheni as the TD Programming Curator, a new position generously funded by TD Bank Group.

"We're thrilled to congratulate Musha on her appointment as the new TD Programming Curator at the Art Gallery of Mississauga. Artists and arts professionals play an important role in helping shape the vibrancy of local communities, nurturing connections and a sense of belonging through accessible and inclusive arts and cultural experiences," said Stuart Keeler, Senior Art Curator, TD Bank Group. "Through the TD Ready Commitment, our corporate citizenship platform, we're proud to support initiatives that reflect and amplify the diverse voices of the communities we serve while creating space for emerging professionals to contribute to the rich narrative of our shared histories and experiences."

Musha Neluheni is an artist and curator from Johannesburg, South Africa. She held the position of Contemporary Curator and Acting Chief Curator at the Johannesburg Art Gallery. She was co-curator of the South African Pavilion of the 57th Venice Biennale. She served on the Standard Bank Art Committee and the Theme Panel for the South African Mint. Her exhibition *There is Only Light, and Shadow* won best curated show at the 2016 Turbine Art Fair. She holds a BFA from Rhodes University. She has written for several publications including online forum The Archival Platform.

"We are delighted to have Musha Neluheni join the AGM as our new TD Programming Curator," says Shannon Anderson, Senior Curator at the Art Gallery of Mississauga. "She brings a unique perspective through her international background in contemporary art, and we look forward growing our programming and outreach through her initiatives while fostering her knowledge of Canadian art practices." Neluheni will be joining the AGM team on February 13, 2024.

The new position was created to help the AGM to expand and strengthen its active commitment to access, diversity, equity and inclusion. Through this opportunity, Neluheni will obtain significant career development through active mentorship from the AGM's staff. Providing a meaningful contribution to the gallery's overall operations, she will help develop projects that reflect diverse voices while exploring strategies for increasing accessibility and strengthening relationships with local, national, and international communities.

## **ABOUT THE ART GALLERY OF MISSISSAUGA**

The Art Gallery of Mississauga is a public gallery supported by the City of Mississauga, the Ontario Arts Council, the Canada Council for the Arts, Rama Gaming House, Charitable Gaming, Community Good, corporations, private citizens, and its members. The AGM provides platforms for exhibitions, collections, and experimentation in contemporary culture with a recent focus on artists and cultural producers from Indigenous, newcomer, and youth communities. Through a broad range of educational programs, artist projects, and other forms of critical dialogue, the AGM seeks to transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries, foster community, and provide spaces where alternative modes of thought are supported and activated in tangible ways. The AGM is proud to provide free admission, serve communities, and provide positive visual art experiences for all visitors.

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