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## **Vancouver Art Gallery Announces Addition of Two New Trustees to the Association Board**



**December 19, 2022**, Vancouver, BC – The Vancouver Art Gallery Association is pleased to welcome two new members to their Board, Josh Vander Vies and Tara Poseley. The two new members were elected last Wednesday, December 14th at the organization's Annual General Meeting.

Canadian Disability Foundation founder, Josh Vander Vies, brings with him valuable insight as a lawyer focused on creating and defending Canadian not-for-profit organizations, charitable status and charitable gifts. Josh has served as the President of AthletesCAN, Canada's association of national team athletes, and a past director of the Canadian Paralympic Committee. Josh won a bronze medal at the London 2012 Summer Paralympic Games in doubles boccia. He is dedicated to advancing inclusion, accessibility and support in the Canadian disability community and beyond.

The Board also welcomes Paula's Choice Skincare Chief Executive Officer, Tara Poseley. Tara carries over 25 years of experience leading vertical retail corporations. Tara has held the title of CEO at global beauty brand, Paula's

Choice, since 2016 and has specialized in leading high-growth businesses and start-up initiatives throughout her career. Prior to her leadership role at Paula's Choice, Tara was the Chief Product Officer at Lululemon Athletica and was responsible for a 2-billion-dollar global business. Tara has held President and CEO roles at Sears Holdings, Disney Stores and Design Within Reach.

"We are extremely fortunate to be adding the expansive perspectives of these two highly influential individuals to our Board," says **Anthony Kiendl**, Vancouver Art Gallery Chief Executive Officer and Director. "Both Josh and Tara's unique life experiences and depth of knowledge will provide welcomed counsel to the oversight of our Gallery. I look forward to working closely with them to achieve incredible new heights for our current and future Gallery."

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**ABOUT VANCOUVER ART GALLERY**

Founded in 1931, the Vancouver Art Gallery is recognized as one of North America's most innovative visual arts institutions. The Gallery's ground-breaking exhibitions, extensive public programs and emphasis on advancing scholarship all focus on historical and contemporary art from British Columbia and around the world. Special attention is given to the accomplishments of Indigenous artists, as well as to those of the Asia Pacific region. The Gallery's exhibitions also explore the impact of images in the larger sphere of visual culture, design and architecture.

The Vancouver Art Gallery is a charitable not-for-profit organization supported by its members, individual donors, corporate funders, foundations, the City of Vancouver, the Province of British Columbia through the BC Arts Council and the Canada Council for the Arts.

*The Vancouver Art Gallery is situated on the ancestral and unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations, and is respectful of the Indigenous stewards of the land it occupies, whose rich cultures are fundamental to artistic life in Vancouver and the work of the Gallery.*

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