

## Online Art Auction for Gallery Fundraiser now open

**April 11, 2019 – Kelowna, BC:** Starting today you can preview and bid on the twenty-two works of art that will be available for purchase at the Kelowna Art Gallery's annual *Appetite for Art Fundraiser*.

The works of art range greatly—including everything from painted Okanagan landscapes to sculptures to abstract works that make use of bold, bright colours. The artists have created these using a variety of media, including, oil, acrylic, and watercolour paints, mixed media, graphite, inks, metal, wood, and glass. They also come in all shapes and sizes, which should appeal to a wide range of budgets and wall spaces.

The art auction and works can be seen at the Appetite for Art Fundraiser page on [www.kelownaartgallery.com](http://www.kelownaartgallery.com).

"We are so pleased with the fine works donated for this year's fundraiser," says Nataley Nagy, Executive Director at the Kelowna Art Gallery. "The generosity and support from the art community has been tremendous. We are also thrilled to give everyone the opportunity to bid on a work they like through our online auction."

Participating artists include: Moozhan Ahmadzadegan, Doug Alcock, Evan Berg, Rose Braun, Rod Charlesworth, Connor Charlesworth, Ken Gillespie, Jessica Hedrick, Jim Kalnin, Rachel Kambeitz, Nobuo Kubota, Maureen Lisle, Charla Maarschalk, Anita McComas, Jo McKechnie, Sarah Neely, Destanne Norris, Liz Ranney, Bonny Roberts, Synnöve Seidman, Leanne Spanza, and David Wilson Sookinakin.

Proceeds raised from the auction go towards supporting children's and educational programming at the Gallery. They also support local artists—many of the participating artists have elected to receive 50% of the proceeds from the final sale price.

The online auction, hosted by [32auctions.com](http://32auctions.com), closes on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 5:00 pm.

Guests attending the fundraiser on Saturday, May 11, 2019 will have the opportunity to place additional bids on the works of art while at the event.

A small number of tickets for the *Appetite for Art Fundraiser* are still available at \$120 per person, or four for \$420. They can be purchased directly from the Gallery by calling 250-762-2226.

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For more information about the art auction, current exhibitions, or special events, visit the Gallery online at [www.kelownaartgallery.com](http://www.kelownaartgallery.com) or call 250-762-2226.

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