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**CORRIE JACKSON SELECTED  
FOR 2017 RESIDENCY AT FOGO ISLAND ARTS**

**OTTAWA / FOGO ISLAND, 20 February 2017** – Corrie Jackson has been selected for the 2017 Hnatyshyn Foundation-Fogo Island Arts Young Curator Residency. Based in Toronto, Jackson is currently Associate Art Curator of the RBC Corporate Art Collection, and participates as a board and committee member with various art organizations in the city.

The Young Curator Residency program, valued at \$15,000 annually, sends an exceptional young Canadian curator between the ages of 25 and 30 to work in residence at Fogo Island Arts, a contemporary art venue on Fogo Island, Newfoundland. During the residency, the curator will work closely with Fogo Island Arts' international artists-in-residence, staff, and members of the community, and contribute to Fogo Island Arts initiatives. The six-week residency will take place in the summer of 2017. Candidates are selected based on their body of work, curatorial philosophy, and their ability to work both independently and as part of a team. This year's selection was adjudicated by Nicolaus Schafhausen, Strategic Director of Fogo Island Arts and Director of Kunsthalle Wien, and Reesa Greenberg, an art and exhibition historian.

“The Young Curator Residency provides significant opportunities for emerging curators. In addition to the possibility of mentorship and collaboration, Fogo Island Arts and the Shorefast Foundation provide a context for young Canadian curators to develop international networks that remain essential to contemporary curatorial practice, and all within the exceptional location and unique culture of Fogo Island. We very much look forward to working with Ms. Jackson.”

-- *Nicolaus Schafhausen*

**Corrie Jackson** is the RBC Associate Art Curator, overseeing the management and growth strategy of the RBC Corporate Art Collection and developing engagement surrounding RBC's support of the visual arts. A recent graduate of the Master of Visual Studies, Curatorial Practice program at the University of Toronto, Corrie's curatorial interests focus on cross-generational dialogues and developing the role of collections as accountable and inclusive narratives. Previously she worked at the Justina M. Barnicke Gallery at the University of Toronto, at Sotheby's Canada, and as an independent curator. She is on the board of contemporary art centre

Mercer Union and the Gardiner Museum, and is the senior advisor to the Hart House Art Committee at the University of Toronto.

### **About Fogo Island Arts**

Fogo Island Arts is a residency-based contemporary art venue that supports research and production of new work for artists, filmmakers, writers, musicians, curators, designers and thinkers from around the world. Since 2008, FIA has brought some of the most exciting, emerging and renowned artists of today to Fogo Island, Newfoundland, Canada to take part in residencies and to present solo exhibitions at the Fogo Island Gallery. Combining contemporary art, iconic architecture and social innovation in a singular setting, FIA is a world-class institution that is uniquely rooted in community. Fogo Island Arts is an initiative of the Shorefast Foundation, a registered charity dedicated to improving the social, cultural and economic conditions on Fogo Island and other small places around the world. For more information, visit [www.fogoislandarts.ca](http://www.fogoislandarts.ca).

### **About The Hnatyshyn Foundation**

The Hnatyshyn Foundation is a private charity established by the late Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn, Canada's twenty-fourth Governor General, to assist emerging and established artists in all disciplines with their training and career development, and promote to the Canadian public the importance of the arts in our society. Its programs are funded by donations from government, foundations, corporations and individuals. For more information about The Hnatyshyn Foundation's programs, visit [www.rjhf.com](http://www.rjhf.com).

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