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KMAC Triennial Call for Artists

Triennial Showcasing Contemporary Art of the Commonwealth to Open Late Summer 2019

For Immediate Release: Earlier this year KMAC Museum in Louisville, Kentucky announced the inaugural edition a new art triennial intended to "showcase contemporary art of the Commonwealth." The first *KMAC Triennial* is slated to open in August of 2019. This juried, curated exhibition will feature artists based, or artists whose formative years were spent, in Kentucky.

The first KMAC Triennial jury is issuing a call for artist portfolio submissions, open now through February 1, 2019. Each submission requires an artist bio, CV, and three images of previous works (no larger than 300dpi.) These can be install or detail shots of works, with the purpose being to show materials, process, skill, and context. The call is open to artists from all disciplines. Submissions will then be reviewed by a committee of art professionals from around the state, led by KMAC Curator Joey Yates; Alice Gray Stites, Chief Curator and Museum Director at 21c; Dr. Emily Elizabeth Goodman, Curator and Assistant Professor of Art History at Transylvania University; and Matt Distel, Exhibitions Director at the Carnegie in Covington, KY. Once artists are selected, the Triennial jury will visit artist studios throughout the late Spring of 2019, selecting and commissioning works for the show.

"The purpose of the KMAC Triennial is to learn. We wanted a dedicated, recurring show that would allow us to focus on artists from our state and to explore the narrative of contemporary art in the area around KMAC Museum," said Yates. "Right now, it's experimental, but we're anticipating the KMAC Triennial becoming a key show for this region."

The first *KMAC Triennial* will be on view at KMAC Museum in downtown Louisville from August - December 2019. A private vernissage for the show will be held before the show's opening. Artists can learn more about the process and submit at kmacmuseum.org/triennial. For more information, or to schedule interviews, contact Maddie Tong, Communications Manager, at maddie@kmacmuseum.org or by phone at 502.589.0102 ext 1007.

Fact Sheet

What: KMAC Triennial

When: August - December 2019

Where: KMAC Museum, 715 W Main St, Louisville KY 40202

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About KMAC Museum (kmacmuseum.org)

KMAC Museum is a contemporary art museum located in historic downtown Louisville on "Museum Row." KMAC Museum's goal is to educate and inspire while promoting a better understanding of art through exhibitions, education, and collections. The Museum explores the relationship between art and craft by identifying art as the big idea and craft as the intersection between process, materials, and labor. The museum connects people to art and creative practice.