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Kingston Arts Council and Community Foundation for Kingston & Area announce Recipient of 2016 Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) and the Community Foundation for Kingston & Area (CFKA) are pleased to announce that local artist Katharine Vingoe-Cram is the recipient of the 2016 Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development.

The Nan Yeomans Grant, valued at \$2,500 and made possible through an endowment fund held by the CFKA, assists promising young artists and/or artisans in furthering their education and professional artistic growth. The KAC is entrusted with the selection process. The winner was selected by a peer jury composed of: illustrator and sculptor Diane Black, printmaker Wendy Cain and 2015 recipient of the Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development, artist and sculptor Kevin Rodgers.

The jury also recognized Kacey Hicks as an honorable mention and she will receive a gift certificate to Art Noise.

About Katharine Vingoe-Cram



Katharine Vingoe-Cram is an artist based in Kingston, Ontario. She is originally from Halifax, Nova Scotia and graduated with a BFA in 2010. In 2014, she earned an MA in Art History from Queen's

University, where she studied museum representation of Canadian Folk art. Katharine maintains a painting practice and is a tenant at the Tett Centre. Her artistic and research interests include drawing as a mnemonic device and collaborative drawing practices, community arts and cultural policy. She also works on the collaborative, interdisciplinary practice NO and NO with local artist/scholar Gabriel Cheung. NO and NO will exhibit work as part of a group exhibition at Modern Fuel Artist-Run Centre in March, 2017. The Nan Yeomans Grant will help Katherine expand on work she began working during the summer of 2016 during a residency at Spark Box Studio in Picton. The body of work, entitled *Unexpected Visitors*, explores the personal geography of grieving. The resulting collection will be submitted in 2017 to galleries and artist-run centres across Canada.

Image above: Katharine Vingoe-Cram, Celebrity Encounter With My Father, 2014

About the Kingston Arts Council

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) is the region's primary arts information resource, advocating for and supporting artists while fostering community. As a funder, the KAC administers the City of Kingston Arts Fund and the Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development. <u>www.artskingston.ca</u>

About the Community Foundation for Kingston & Area

The Community Foundation for Kingston & Area (CKFA) is a local organization with deep roots in the community and part of a nationwide movement that aims to strengthen communities by facilitating philanthropy, partnering with donors, and providing leadership. CKFA makes financial grants to a wide range of charities, promotes philanthropy, builds connections between donors and good works, and acts as a catalyst amongst organizations. The Community Foundation runs a Community Grants Program, which awards grants twice a year to local organizations in eight areas of interest, including arts and culture. www.cfka.org

About the Nan Yeomans Grant for Artistic Development

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