

## Guelph Arts Council and University of Guelph School of Fine Art and Music Announce Second Round of Young Artist Mentorship Project

**Guelph, ON** – August 3, 2017 – In 2017, Guelph Arts Council and the University of Guelph School of Fine Art and Music have launched the *Young Artist Mentorship Project*, a collaborative project that supports young artists in the critical transition from university to professional life. GAC and SOFAM are grateful for project support from the **Ontario150 Partnership Program**.

Applications for the Fall round of the project, are now being accepted. Guelph visual and media artists, musicians, and cultural managers are encouraged to apply as mentors or young artists. Established artists may apply online as mentors, and young artists may apply online to be mentored. Project and eligibility details are included in the online application forms. The deadline for mentor applications is **Sunday, September 10** and the young artist deadline is **Sunday, September 24**.

In the first round of the project, eight young visual artists and musicians were paired with eight Guelph artist mentors. The young artists' experience will culminate in a group exhibition of their work that they will plan and install with support from their mentors. *Collective Knowledge* will run from Tuesday, August 15 to Saturday, August 19 at the Boarding House Gallery, 6 Dublin St. S, Guelph. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday 12 – 5 pm, Saturday 10 am – 3 pm. An opening reception will be held from 7 – 9 pm on Tuesday, August 15. All are welcome.

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### ***About Guelph Arts Council:***

For forty years, Guelph Arts Council has been dedicated to supporting, stimulating and promoting arts and culture in Guelph. Guelph Arts Council is funded in part by **The Guelph Community Foundation** and **City of Guelph**. We also acknowledge the support of the **Ontario Arts Council**, an agency of the Government of Ontario, and our annual sponsors **Meridian** and **Gary Stewart of CIBC Wood Gundy**.

### ***About University of Guelph School of Fine Art and Music:***

The School of Fine Art and Music's BA programs in Music, Studio Art and Art History, and the MFA in Studio Art and MA in Art History and Visual Culture, are renowned for their excellence and for the success of their graduates. SOFAM curricula in all areas, delivered by acclaimed faculty, are designed to combine critical thought and creative practice with crucial opportunities for experiential learning.

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