KITCHENER-WATERLOO ART GALLERY

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Feast for the Senses 10 Pairs Local Culinary Talent with Works of Art

5 November 2019, Kitchener ON – Chef Dan McCowan of Red House in Uptown Waterloo is at the helm of the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery's tenth Feast for the Senses event on Thursday 14 November. This popular culinary event will serve up an inventive multi-course tasting menu with drink pairings selected by Red House beverage manager Ainsley Szvitak, all inspired by our fall exhibition featuring the works of Vancouver-based artist Adad Hannah.

Guests at Feast for the Senses 10 will be treated to a guided tour of *Glints and Reflections*, in which Hannah uses photography, video, installation and performance to create "living pictures" that reference iconic works from western art history and personal histories alike. Dan

McCowan has selected a number of artworks from this exhibition as inspiration for his locally-sourced cuisine, with each dish serving as a culinary interpretation of a specific work of art.

"At Feast for the Senses, we aim to draw a link between great contemporary art and the idea of food as art as imagined by some of the best chefs in this region," explains Shirley Madill, KWAG's Executive Director. "We believe that chefs and sommeliers are artists and what they do an art form. I look forward to what Chef Dan McCowan and Ainsley Szvitak have in store for another great evening at KWAG."

Chef Dan McCowan was born in Scarborough but raised in Kitchener-Waterloo. He graduated from the Chef Apprentice program at George Brown College in 2003, and soon received his Red Seal Certification. His determination to become a chef was confirmed while working at Oliver & Bonicini's Jump in Toronto, and upon returning to Waterloo Region, McCowan joined The Charcoal Group of restaurants where we ran several kitchens for the local company. He held his first head chef position at Del Dente at the age of 23, was selected as the opening chef de cuisine for Bauer Kitchen by age 26, and became Executive Chef for the flagship Charcoal Steakhouse and Martini's restaurant by age 29. Today, he welcomes diners to his first independent restaurant venture, Red House in Uptown Waterloo, which places an emphasis on fresh original cuisine served with local ingredients and genuine hospitality.

Limited tickets to Feast for the Senses 10 remain on sale for \$68 plus HST and are available online at www.kwag.ca/feast or by phone at 519-579-5860x100. Please note that guests must be age 19 or older to attend.





Feast for the Senses 2019 is sponsored by Gowling WLG.

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ABOUT THE KITCHENER-WATERLOO ART GALLERY

Established in 1956, the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery (KWAG) is Waterloo Region's leading public art gallery with an emphasis on contemporary art, offering creative and accessible experiences for all ages and segments of society. KWAG connects people and ideas through art, drawing the community into a shared experience of art that moves from sight to insight. The Gallery and its Permanent Collection of more than 4000 works is located within Centre In The Square.

The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery respectfully acknowledges that we are located on the Haldimand Tract, land promised to Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. We are on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron (Neutral Confederacy), Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee peoples.

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HOURS AND ADMISSION

T-W 9:30 am-5 pm, Thu 9:30 am-9 pm, Fri 9:30 am-5 pm, Sat 10 am-5 pm, Sun 1-5 pm Open before most Centre In The Square performances

Admission to KWAG's exhibitions is free, courtesy of



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