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Feast for the Senses VI Provides Food for Thought on a Culinary Journey through Art

7 November 2017, Kitchener ON – One of the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery's most popular public events returns on **Thursday 16 November from 7-10pm** with Feast for the Senses VI, an unforgettable evening of food and drink inspired by our fall exhibition, *Carry Forward*, which is currently on view until 14 January 2018.

Guests at Feast for the Senses VI will be treated to a guided tour of *Carry Forward* with curator **Lisa Myers**, while celebrated First Nations chef **Rich Francis** and local sommelier **John Kent** will present tapas-style food and drink pairings that respond to specific works of art that depict forgotten histories and the power of documents to shape our perception of facts and reality.



Left to right: Chef Rich Francis; John Kent & Sarah Pepper.

Rich Francis is a Top Chef Canada finalist and the driving force behind Cooking for Reconciliation, an initiative that teaches Indigenous foods and techniques to create a better understanding of pre-colonial Indigenous culture and the impact of colonization. He is a member of the Tetlit Gwich'in & Tuscarora First Nations, and is currently based in Saskatoon, where Francis looks forward to opening his restaurant, 7th Fire.

Sommelier John Kent is the co-owner, with his wife Sarah Pepper, of J&P Grocery in downtown Kitchener. Kent studied the art of wine through the Wine and Spirit Education Trust program, provided through the Independent Wine Education Guild, and is a representative for Thompson Vintage Trade.

Limited tickets to Feast for the Senses VI remain on sale for \$65 plus HST for the general public (\$55 plus HST for KWAG members) and are available online at www.kwag.ca or by phone at 519-579-5860. Please note that guests must be age 19 or older to attend.

Feast for the Senses 2017 is sponsored by:  **GOWLING WLG**

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

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Admission to KWAG's exhibitions is free, courtesy of

