

AUDAIN ART MUSEUM

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Whistler art museum appoints director

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VANCOUVER – December 9, 2013 – Suzanne Greening is appointed director for the Audain Art Museum, which is currently under construction in Whistler. Ms. Greening, who will be responsible for opening the new museum, is currently winding up her role as the executive director of The Reach Gallery Museum in Abbotsford, B.C.

“There was a lot of interest in this position and our board concluded that Ms. Greening, with her broad museum management experience, is the ideal candidate,” says chair Michael Audain. “Ms. Greening has the experience and expertise needed to get our museum organized and operating by mid-2015.”

With a degree in art history from McMaster University, Ms. Greening was responsible for opening The Reach in 2008. Prior to that she was director of both the Museum of Glass in Tacoma, Washington and the Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery in Waterloo, Ontario, also start-up situations. Throughout her career, Ms. Greening has been very involved in cultural community development.

“To manage a brand new art museum in one of the world’s most beautiful resorts is a director’s dream,” says Greening. “I will also have the privilege of working with the Audain art collection, which is one of Canada’s most important.”

The 56,000 square-foot Audain Art Museum, now under construction on Whistler’s Blackcomb Way, is designed by Patkau Architects. It will house the pick of Michael Audain’s collection of British Columbia art as well as exhibitions from around the world.

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