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## **Waterloo MPP Catherine Fife is Honorary Chair of The Clay & Glass Gala**

WATERLOO (ONTARIO) CANADA • March 1, 2019: Tickets are now on sale for The Clay & Glass Gala on Saturday, March 23. This is the annual fundraising event for the Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery and supports the Gallery's programming and operations.

The Gallery is pleased to announce that Catherine Fife, MPP Waterloo will be this year's Honorary Gala Chair. "I am excited to be contributing to the success of The Clay & Glass Gala," said Fife. "The Gallery is an important and vibrant visual arts organization in our community."

Guests at the Gala will have the chance to get creative and participate in two different art activities: glass fusing with Laurie Spieker of Grand River Glassworks, and a ceramic sgraffito activity with Chris Snedden.

New activities and surprises are in store for guests this year, including a live torch-firing demonstration by local artist Mary Ann Helmond. Elegant wine tastings will be hosted throughout the evening by Rebecca Pettigrew of The Winey Somm, and the event will be catered by Public Kitchen & Bar.

Susan Cook-Scheerer returns as the Master of Ceremonies and *Karyn Kirkwood and the riff raff*, a well-known jazz group from Guelph, will provide live music for the evening.

The Gala will feature a silent auction of collectible artworks from notable Canadian artists Scott Barnim, Joon Hee Kim, Susan Low-Ber, Kayo O'Young, and Cheryl Wilson-Smith to name a few, as well as fabulous prizes for guests to bid on, including upscale entertainment and travel packages. The ever-popular Balloon Pop activity will be better than ever with lots of great prizes to be won.

The Gallery is pleased to announce that a number of new and returning sponsors will be supporting the Gala: Miller Thomson Lawyers at the Gold level; Heffner Lexus Toyota, KPMG LLP and Scotia Wealth Management™ & Scotiabank Commercial Banking at the Silver level; Teledyne DALSA, RLB Chartered Professional Accountants and WalterFedy at the Bronze level. Other Sponsors include: Auburn Developments Inc.; Tom & Jocelyn Mennill; Pat Arsenault - Mobile Registered Reflexologist; Mary Mazur - Sales Representative for RE/MAX Escarpment Realty Inc. Brokerage; Marilyn Allen and Denis Longchamps, FM 98.5 CKWR and Contrabeau Roasting Company.

The Clay & Glass Gala will be held at the Gallery at 25 Caroline Street North in Waterloo. Tickets are \$125 and can be purchased from the Gallery Shop in person or online at [shop.theclayandglass.com/gala](http://shop.theclayandglass.com/gala). Tax receipts will be issued for a portion of the ticket price.

The proceeds from the event support the Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery's operations and programming. For more details visit the Gallery website at [shop.theclayandglass.com/gala](http://shop.theclayandglass.com/gala)

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