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## Celebrate 30 with Family Fun in the Afternoon and an After- Hours Gala at the CCGG on September 9, 2023

WATERLOO (ONTARIO) CANADA, June 27, 2023:

The Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery is thrilled to announce our official 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, **Celebrate 30!** on **September 9, 2023**. Featuring an **afternoon of family fun** and an **evening of cocktails and entertainment for adults**, this event is not to be missed!

Since June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1993, the CCGG has proudly been exhibiting the works of artists working in clay, glass, and enamelling from across the country. Thirty amazing years of showcasing incredible talent from across the nation, inviting new and returning members of our community into our gallery, and creating exciting, engaging programs for all ages. This event **promotes art in our community** and will raise vital funds for children's programs, further the development of arts and crafts, and support artists and makers living and working in Canada.

The Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery is excited to welcome two special guests to mark this important event! **Mike Morrice, MP for Kitchener Centre** will serve as **Honorary Gala Chair**. "We are so fortunate to have this nationally significant gallery right in our community, highlighting incredible talent from across the country since 1993," said Morrice. "I am honoured to be part of celebrating the Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and I'm looking forward to our community coming together to mark the occasion in September."

**Susan Collett**, ceramic and print artist and winner of the inaugural Winifred Shantz Award for Ceramics (2001), will join us as our **Artist Guest of Honour** for this year's gala.

Tickets are now on sale through the Gallery's [Eventbrite page](#). All community members, young and old, are invited to join us for a **family crafternoon from 1-5 pm** featuring craft activities, entertainment, snacks, prizes and more! In the evening, **adults can experience and engage in art and craft from 7-11 pm** at the crafter-party of the year! Our Gala will feature a live DJ, dancing, delicious catering, cash bar, creative activities, a silent auction, and unlimited access to the gallery's exhibition space for an evening of fun and celebration!

"The Gallery team is excited to mark this important milestone in our history with a reimagined gala event with an entirely unique format. Join us as we look back on the successes of the past 30 years and gaze ahead to the future of the Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery. A must-attend event, Celebrate 30! will be an opportunity to get creative, engage with the arts community, support the Gallery and its programming, and, of course, have fun for all ages!"

*- Denis Longchamps, Executive Director & Chief Curator*

For more information and to purchase tickets, [visit our website.](#)

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### **ABOUT THE CANADIAN CLAY & GLASS GALLERY**

The Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery is an award-winning national institution based in Waterloo Region celebrating the art and craft of clay, glass, and enamel. In an inclusive community space and cultural hub, we engage artists and the public through exhibitions and collaborate in accessible education programming. We amplify diverse and often untold stories to open dialogue and inspire social change. For 30 years, the CCGG has been a site of excellence in art and craft. Our education programs support learning and creativity using our rotating exhibitions as a starting point. Admission is always free. For more information, visit: <https://www.theclayandglass.ca/>

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