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Gordon Boyd Wins 2025 RBC Award for Glass



Gordon Boyd, *Journal Entry Nov 8 2024*, 2024. Blown Glass.
51x9cm. Photo courtesy of the artist.

WATERLOO (ONTARIO) CANADA,
July 3, 2025: The Canadian Clay & Glass
Gallery is delighted to announce that **Gordon
Boyd of Oakville, ON** is the winner of the
2025 RBC Award for Glass. Boyd will
receive a **\$10,000 prize**, which will support
the development of his career at this critical
time.

The **only national award for emerging
glass artists in Canada**, the RBC Award is a
prestigious honour. Presented through an
ongoing partnership with The RBC
Foundation, winners and finalists of the award
are recognized as the best and brightest of
the future of Canadian glass art.

We are pleased to celebrate this year's RBC
Award runner-up, **Nadira Narine** (Toronto,
ON), who will receive a \$5,000 prize. We
also celebrate the achievement of the finalists
for this year's award: **Samwell Guertin**

(Montréal, QC), **Em McDonald** (Oakville, ON), and **Jérémie St-Onge** (Montréal, QC). Each finalist will
receive a prize of \$1,000 to further their practice.

This fall, the Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery will feature the winner and finalists in an exhibition that will
provide a rare opportunity for these emerging artists to share their work with an extensive audience while
helping to build their careers. **An opening reception presenting the 2025 award will be held on
Sunday, September 28, 2025, at 2pm.**

**The 2025 RBC Award for Glass was juried by Benjamin Kikkert, Cheryl Wilson-Smith, and
Franklin Silverstone.** On the jurying process, they state: "We were thrilled by the exceptional quality and
impressive number of applicants for this year's prestigious RBC Award for Glass. Artists from across the
country were well represented, making the decision an especially difficult one. We are truly grateful to
have had the opportunity to view such outstanding work and deeply appreciate the time and effort each
applicant put into their submissions."

For more information about the RBC Award for Glass, [visit our website](#).

To schedule a media interview or for more information, contact Denis Longchamps, Executive Director & Chief Curator, at 519-746-1882 ext. 231 or director@theclayandglass.ca.

ABOUT THE CANADIAN CLAY & GLASS GALLERY

The Canadian Clay & Glass Gallery is a long-standing site of excellence and a destination for contemporary art for international tourists and regional citizens. We present critically acclaimed exhibitions that challenge ideas and perceptions of the definitions of art, craft, and design today. The Gallery is a relevant and dynamic cultural organization providing supportive education programs to people from across the region. Using exhibitions as a starting point, individuals develop arts vocabulary and appreciation and cultivate confidence in their interpretation of contemporary artworks. For more information, visit:

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