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Out & About: Royal Canadian Academy of Arts President's Dinner @ WAG

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The Winnipeg Art Gallery played host to the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts (RCA) President's Dinner on June 22. Twenty new members, 10 of which call Winnipeg home, were inducted into the RCA and received their diplomas.

Other presentations included the RCA scholarships, Trust Awards and the RCA Medals, which were awarded to Winnipeggers Patricia Bovey, Robert Enright, Kathleen Richardson and Meeka Walsh for their contributions to the visual arts.

The dinner was just one of the many events taking place in Winnipeg June 21-24 for the RCA's 127th Annual General Assembly.



Mary Reid, Winnipeg Art Gallery curator of contemporary art & photography; Francois-Marc Gagnon, Canadian artist historian; Pierre Arpin (right), WAG director.



Colleen Suche (left), Jim Carr, Heather and Hartley Richardson.



Michele Drouin (left), abstract painter/poet; Pnina Gagnon, conceptual artist/illustrator; Ron Shuebrook, Royal Canadian Academy of Arts (RCA) president.



Gustavo da Roza (left), WAG architect; J. Alison Hymas, RCA past president; Noam Gonick, filmmaker/RCA inductee; Grace Nickel, ceramic artist/RCA inductee.



Henri Venne (left), Quebec photographer/RCA inductee; Lydia Iskat-Venne; John Thorpe, communication services, Manitoba Government; Elise and Ryan Mayberry, Mayberry Fine Art.



Douglas Coupland (left), Noam Gonick, Paula Murray, art critic/guest speaker Martin Gayford, Reva Stone, Jacek Vogel.



Andrew Valko (left), RCA member, Laurie Nealin, RCA publicist; Ewa Tarsia, RCA inductee and husband Ludwik.

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