

LATITUDE 53

CONTEMPORARY VISUAL CULTURE

LATITUDE 53 ANNOUNCES FIRST WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE, CAROLYN JERVIS

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WRITER IN RESIDENCE CAROLYN JERVIS

Online at <http://blog.latitude53.org/>

Latitude 53 is pleased to announce a new Writer In Residence program, and to welcome Edmonton's Carolyn Jervis to the first six-month residency, in which she will explore visual culture in Latitude 53's community through critical writing. This new initiative builds upon our mandate to provide a forum for dialogue about contemporary visual culture throughout communities. Jervis will write at least three times each month on visual culture, engaging Latitude 53 programming, the Edmonton community and beyond, and may coordinate, create, or incite critical dialogue about visual culture through other complementary programming activities.

Carolyn Jervis recently graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in the History of Art, Design, and Visual Culture with a minor in Women's Studies. She has been involved in art as activism and community outreach through Exposure: Edmonton's Queer Arts and Culture Festival and The Works Art and Design Festival in Edmonton and at the Smithsonian's modern and contemporary art museum, the Hirshhorn, in Washington, DC. Carolyn also does freelance art installations, consultations, and speaking engagements on visual literacy and contemporary art. Latitude 53 Executive Director Todd Janes looks forward to her participation in the program: "I believe that Carolyn will be an excellent first writer-in-residence as she is bright, sharp and excited about doing things to expand critical discourse in the greater Edmonton region. Her youthful energy and her passion of engagement will be ideal as we work together on this new initiative of Latitude 53."

Carolyn's writing will appear on Latitude 53's new blog at <http://blog.latitude53.org/>, alongside news and updates as well as a video podcast featuring the artists exhibiting at the gallery.

LATITUDE 53 CONTEMPORARY VISUAL CULTURE is an artist-run centre in Edmonton, Alberta. Our purpose is to encourage contemporary artistic practices and to foster the development and exhibition of experimental art forms. Latitude 53 provides a forum for dialogue about contemporary art practices through exhibitions, performances, readings, seminars, workshops and interpretive programming.

For more information, please contact Latitude 53 Outreach Coordinator Adam Waldron-Blain at adam.wb@latitude53.org or (780) 423 5353, or visit our website at <http://www.latitude53.org>.

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