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Niagara Artists' Co-operative

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Dear Jean and members of Rodman Hall Arts Centre Inc:

On behalf of our board, members, and staff, I'm writing to pledge the support of the Niagara Artists Centre as Rodman Hall faces the challenges of management transition. NAC remains in solidarity with you in all of your ongoing efforts to maintain Rodman as an important cultural centre in our community.

NAC firmly believes that a strong arts and culture sector is one of the pillars of a healthy and vibrant community. As the place of NAC's origin, a frequent programming partner, and an ally in asserting the cultural distinction of Niagara, Rodman Hall is deeply valued as a leading contributor to our community health by NAC and our members.

NAC understands that there are a variety of options for the future of Rodman Hall. If the leadership of Rodman Hall requires any means of support that NAC could offer, we openly offer our resources for your consideration.

As you know, NAC is a charitably-registered non-profit with a 50-year history with arts council investors. Our board is prepared to explore the possibilities of leveraging NAC's legal status and funder relationships if it could in any way benefit Rodman Hall in the immediate transitional period.

NAC recognizes that a strong, autonomous, community-operated Rodman Hall is the common goal that we share.

We laud you for your continued efforts to ensure that Rodman Hall can continue as the leading institution for visual arts culture in Niagara.

Kind regards,

Candace Couse
President,
Niagara Artists Centre

CC: Rodman Hall Alliance

