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### **RENÉE ALBISTON APPOINTED ASSOCIATE MUSEUM DIRECTOR OF KIRKLAND MUSEUM OF FINE & DECORATIVE ART**

**Denver, February 3, 2020** – The Board of Directors of Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art announced today that Renée Albiston has been promoted to Associate Museum Director, a new position for the organization. Along with Founding Director & Curator Hugh Grant, Albiston will lead the Museum located at 12<sup>th</sup> and Bannock.

Albiston joined Kirkland Museum in 2011, long before the vision of a new location in the Golden Triangle Creative District was realized. She has served in a variety of roles with increasing responsibility, most recently as Director of Curatorial Affairs. During her tenure, Albiston has helped usher in a new era for Kirkland Museum, working tirelessly to expand the Museum’s role in Denver’s nationally important art scene.

Albiston holds a Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, in art history and history and a Master of Humanities with a specialization in art law and policy, both from the University of Colorado. In addition to her duties at Kirkland Museum, she has spent the past decade active in the field of provenance research for several institutions.

“Renée’s successes in the corporate world, her subsequent Bachelor and Master degrees in both arts and humanities respectively and her admirable work for nine years at Kirkland Museum, give her a wide ranging background and expertise that she can continue to apply in her new position,” notes Hugh Grant. “I look forward to working closely with Renée in her new role.”

Albiston said, “I am honored to assume this new position and help further solidify our institution as one of Denver’s cultural gems. In partnership with the Board of Directors, talented and passionate staff and volunteers, I look forward to creating new opportunities to share the Museum’s robust Colorado art history and world-class decorative art collection with our visitors.”

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#### **About Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art:**

Kirkland Museum is dedicated to enriching lives by presenting art and design in a unique and approachable way. The Museum is rediscovering, documenting, collecting, preserving and exhibiting works from over 150 years, beginning in the mid-19th century, of Colorado’s distinguished art history, international decorative art and the works of Vance Kirkland (1904–1981). The Museum serves the general public and scholars through exhibitions, the loan of works and public programs.

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