



Saint Kate – The Arts Hotel Welcomes Two Stewards of the Arts to Its Residency Programs

Names Anwar Floyd-Pruitt as second Artist in Residence; Welcomes Shane McAdams as first-ever Curator in Residence



Shane McAdams, Saint Kate - The Arts Hotel's first-ever Curator in Residence (Photo: Business Wire)

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MILWAUKEE--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Saint Kate – The Arts Hotel, an award-winning arts hotel owned and managed by [Marcus® Hotels & Resorts](#), today announced Anwar Floyd-Pruitt, an interdisciplinary artist, curator and puppeteer from Milwaukee, as its second Artist in Residence. The hotel also announced a new program unique to the hospitality industry: a Curator in Residence program, with Shane McAdams, a Cedarburg, Wisconsin-based curator, artist, writer, and educator, named as its first-ever Curator in Residence.

“Saint Kate is known for discovering distinct ways to connect to all who visit,” said Linda Marcus, one of Saint Kate’s visionaries and a nationally recognized multi-disciplinary artist, designer and storyteller. “In Saint Kate, we wanted to create a place where artists of all ages, experience levels, demographics and disciplines can showcase their work to a new audience. We have done this with both our Artist in Residence and now our newly created Curator in Residence program. These unique residencies open an entirely new channel for artists and curators to showcase their skills, build new relationships, add to their portfolio, and expand their careers.”

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Meet Shane McAdams

As a curator, artist, writer and educator, McAdams brings a perceptive approach to Saint Kate as its first Curator in Residence. McAdams' past curated exhibitions have been found throughout Wisconsin and New York with reviews from *The New York Times* and *The Village Voice*.

"I am thrilled to be named Saint Kate's first Curator in Residence," said McAdams. "Saint Kate is an artist's paradise and I'm excited to showcase nationally known as well as emerging artists and give them a spotlight in Milwaukee's vibrant arts community. I believe that there is common ground to be found between what is popular and what is extraordinary. I want to find that in the art world and bring it to Saint Kate."

In addition to his curatorial practice, McAdams is a skilled painter with his artwork seen in galleries across the globe, like Allegra LaViola Gallery and Malborough Gallery in New York, Elizabeth Leach Gallery in Portland, Scream Gallery in London, ARTISTree in Hong Kong, and locally at The Haggerty Museum of Art in Milwaukee and Museum of Wisconsin Art in West Bend, Wisconsin. His artwork has been reviewed in *Vogue Magazine*, *The New York Times*, and *The Huffington Post*, among others.

McAdams' second artform is writing. He is currently a writer for *Shepherd Express*, Milwaukee's arts, culture, and entertainment news publication, where he received the Visual Arts Achievement in Arts Writing Award from the Wisconsin Academy of Arts and Letters. He has also contributed to the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, *Brooklyn Rail*, and other arts-dedicated publications.

In addition to his breadth of experience in the arts, McAdams has taught art at Marian University in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence, Rhode Island.

McAdams holds a bachelor's degree in art history from the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas and a master's degree in fine arts from the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York. He is a three-time Creative Capital grant recipient and an Andy Warhol Writer's Grant finalist. In addition to curating, painting, writing and teaching, McAdams is a partner in REAL TINSEL, an art space in Milwaukee.

Under McAdams' residency, guests can view his new exhibitions: "[The Perpetual Surrealist](#)" with works by Soobin Jeon in The Vitrine and "[Time Looks Like This](#)" with Risograph prints by Kelli Anderson in The Closet.

"We are excited to welcome Shane as Saint Kate's first Curator in Residence and Anwar as our second Artist in Residence," said Dana Johnson, general manager of Saint Kate – The Arts Hotel. "Since Saint Kate opened, the reaction from guests and locals alike has been incredible. They enjoy immersing themselves in the arts as they walk amongst the ever-changing gallery spaces. Our Curator in Residence will help further ensure that what we are offering our guests is always new, fresh and surprising. Anwar's studio will be an additional place where guests can explore and learn more about his practice as they gain a greater understanding and appreciation for the arts and the process."

To learn more about the first-of-its-kind Saint Kate – The Arts Hotel and its extensive art programming, please visit: www.saintkatearts.com.