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## **Abigail Ross Goodman Appointed Consulting Curator at CFAM**

**WINTER PARK, FL** (January 8, 2019)- The Cornell Fine Arts Museum is pleased to announce that Abigail Ross Goodman, co-founder and Principal of Goodman Taft, has agreed to serve as Consulting Curator. Ms. Goodman has over 20 years of experience as a contemporary gallerist, independent curator and advisor. Prior to founding Goodman Taft, a curatorial and advisory firm with a focus on post-war and contemporary art, she was the owner/director of the Judi Rotenberg Gallery in Boston, where she built a dynamic program of emerging and established artists. Since 2010, she has collaborated on several exhibitions and public art-installations, including the 2012 deCordova Biennial at the deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum in Lincoln, MA; a permanent sculptural installation by Alexandre da Cunha and a monumental mural by Raúl de Nieves.



Here at CFAM, Ms. Goodman co-curated the exhibitions *Fractured Narratives: a strategy to engage* (2014) and *Time as Landscape: Inquiries of Art and Science* (2018). Importantly, her contributions to Rollins include her role as the curator of the Alford Collection of Contemporary Art since its inception in 2013, and as editor of its catalogs *Art For Rollins, Volumes I-II*, and co-editor of *Volume III*. "I could not be happier that Abigail has accepted a larger involvement with our museum. Her extraordinary expertise in contemporary art and her deep and thoughtful commitment to the Alford Collection, and to teaching with art more generally, will help re-position our museum as we create the strategy for the next

phase in CFAM's institutional history," states Bruce A. Beal Director Ena Heller. "I am delighted and honored to have this opportunity to collaborate ever more directly with Ena Heller and Gisela Carbonell as they continue to develop the rich platform for inquiry that CFAM offers students, faculty and their broader audience. I began my career as a student intern at a teaching museum, the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy so this feels like home."

As Consulting Curator, Ms. Goodman will work closely with Dr. Heller and with the CFAM Curator, Dr. Gisela Carbonell, on strategic partnerships, curatorial planning, and as a member of the Museum's National Council, to be launched in 2019.

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### **THE CORNELL FINE ARTS MUSEUM**

The Cornell Fine Arts Museum at Rollins College features rotating exhibitions, ongoing programs, and an extensive permanent collection of more than 5,600 objects that spans centuries, from examples of ancient art and artifacts to contemporary art. Open to the public year-round, its holdings include the only European Old Master paintings in the Orlando area, a sizeable American art collection, and a forward-thinking contemporary collection on view both at the Museum and The Alford Inn at Rollins. Located a few blocks from campus, The Alford Inn is a visionary philanthropic boutique hotel whose proceeds help fund student scholarships. In 1981, the Museum became Florida's first college museum to be accredited by the American Association of Museums (currently the American Alliance of Museums) and continues in 2018 as one of only four AAM-accredited museums in greater Orlando. For additional information, call 407.646.2526 or visit [www.rollins.edu/cfam](http://www.rollins.edu/cfam). "Like" CFAM on [Facebook](#) and follow on [Instagram@cfamrollins](#) as well as [Twitter@cfamrollins](#).

### **ROLLINS COLLEGE**

Founded in 1885, Rollins College is Florida's oldest recognized college. Located in Winter Park, near Orlando, Rollins is consistently ranked as one of the top regional universities in the South by U.S. News & World Report. In addition to full-time undergraduate programs in the College of Arts & Sciences and the College of Professional Studies, Rollins offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs for working adults through its evening program at the Hamilton Holt School and graduate business degree programs through its Crummer Graduate School of Business, which has been ranked a top MBA program by Forbes and Bloomberg BusinessWeek. Rollins serves approximately 3,200 degree-seeking students annually. For more information, visit [www.rollins.edu](http://www.rollins.edu). "Like" Rollins on [Facebook](#) and follow on [Twitter@RollinsCollege](#).

### **VISITOR INFORMATION**

#### **Museum Location**

Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College  
1000 Holt Avenue, Winter Park, FL 32789-4499  
407.646.2526  
[www.rollins.edu/cfam](http://www.rollins.edu/cfam)

#### **Alford Inn Location**

The Alford Inn at Rollins College  
300 East New England Avenue  
Winter Park, FL 32789  
[www.thealfordinn.com](http://www.thealfordinn.com)

#### **Museum Hours**

Tuesday: 10 am-7 pm  
Wednesday-Friday: 10 am-4 pm  
Saturday-Sunday: noon-5 pm  
Closed Mondays, major holidays, and during installation periods

#### **Museum Admission**