## **For Immediate Release**

Tate Americas Foundation Hosts Fourth Artists Dinner in New York, Celebrating Over Forty Artists and the Opening of the New Tate Modern

May 3, 2016 IAC Building

# **Co-Chairs:**

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March 8, 2016, New York—Tate Americas Foundation, an independent charity based in New York to raise support for Tate, will host the fourth Artists Dinner fundraising gala in New York on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at the IAC Building. The Artists Dinner, which is sponsored by Oscar de la Renta, LLC and Rolls-Royce Motor Cars NA, will honor over forty artists from the Americas who are represented in the Tate's permanent collection. The event will celebrate the opening of the new extended and rehung Tate Modern in June 2016, one of the most exciting developments in the art world within the last decade

Seven co-chairs, each a major force for the arts in communities across the Americas, will lend their dynamic leadership to the evening. This year's co-chairs include: Estrellita Brodsky (New York), Kira Flanzraich (Miami), Pamela Joyner (San Francisco), Komal Shah (San Francisco), Robert Sobey (Stellarton, Canada), Christen Wilson (Dallas), and Juan Yarur Torres (Santiago, Chile).

**Richard Hamilton, Director, Tate Americas Foundation,** says, "After establishing the first acquisitions committees for Tate in 2001-2, Tate Americas Foundation has played a major role in expanding the global reach of the Tate's world-class collection. The New Tate Modern will be the most important new cultural building to open in the UK for almost twenty years, and we are enormously grateful to **Oscar de la Renta** and **Rolls-Royce** and our co-chairs for their generosity in underwriting such an important celebration."

#### **Artist Honorees**

The evening will celebrate artists from North and South America, including Lynda Benglis, Walead Beshty, Carol Bove, Andrea Bowers, Mark Bradford, Cecily Brown, Abraham Cruzvillegas, Alexandre da Cunha, Moyra Davey, Leonardo Drew, Mitch Epstein, Ellen Gallagher, Theaster Gates, Sam Gilliam, Nan Goldin, Beatriz González, Paul Graham, Rodney Graham, Guerrilla Girls (Frida Kahlo and Kathe Kollwitz), Tamar Guimarães, Neil Jenney, Ilya and Emilia Kabakov, Jac Leirner, Glenn Ligon, Christian Marclay, Helen and Brice Marden, Teresa Margolles, Kerry James Marshall, Josiah McElheny, Julie Mehretu, Bruce Nauman and Susan Rothenberg, Gabriel Orozco, Laura Owens, Miguel Angel Rojas, Mark Ruwedel, Joan Semmel,

Stephen Shore, Amie Siegel, Lorna Simpson, Melanie Smith, Michael Snow, Valeska Soares, Frances Stark, Jeff Wall, Carrie Mae Weems, Lawrence Weiner, James Welling, Judi Werthein, Jack Whitten, and David Zink Yi.

The evening will begin with cocktails, followed by a seated dinner and a live auction of items generously donated by Tate supporters and hosted by auctioneer **Oliver Barker**, Deputy Chairman, Europe; Senior Art Specialist, Sotheby's.

For ticketing information, please call **Kara Stitcher at MF Productions on 212-243-7300**.

## **About Tate Americas Foundation**

Tate Americas Foundation is an independent charity based in New York that raises support for Tate from individuals, foundations, and corporations in the Americas. The charity was founded in 1987, when Sir Edwin and Lady Manton created the American Fund for the Tate Gallery, a restricted endowment to acquire works of art from North and South America for presentation to Tate. The organization, previously known as American Patrons of Tate, was renamed the Tate Americas Foundation in early 2013 to reflect the organization's evolving role and expanding geographical base of support. Since 1999, the charity has raised over \$210 million in cash donations and acquired \$76 million in art (through purchase or gift). For more information, please visit www.tateamericas.org

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