

Special General Meeting

Canadian Museums Association

On March 16, 2021, spurred by resignations from the CMA Board on March 10, a group of concerned members of the Canadian Museums Association (CMA) came together to discuss critical issues facing the sector and the lack of consistent response from our professional association. The group wrote an open letter to the CMA executive, CMA members, and museum professionals across Canada expressing their concerns, and invited members to sign a petition calling for a Special General Meeting (SGM).

The petition gathered 92 signatures, including those of 54 Voting Members, as required by the Bylaws, and the notice of the result was sent to the CMA Secretariat and Board on March 19. The **SGM, provisionally scheduled for April 30**, will provide members and representatives of the community the opportunity to prepare a **mandate letter and resolutions** for the Association AGM. Notice of the SGM will be sent to all CMA members by the Secretariat.

Call for Nominations by Members

Board of the Canadian Museums Association

On March 25, 2021, the CMA announced the appointment of two new Board members, providing quorum for the **Annual General Meeting, scheduled for May 3, 2021**. At the same time, the CMA issued a renewed Call for Nominations. Nominations of candidates for the Board are crucial to support a renewed CMA. As a membership-driven organization, it is up to members to actively support its work.

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There are 11 positions on the Board, eight Directors-at-Large and three Officers (President and two Vice-Presidents). This is our opportunity to ensure that members can vote for Directors from a diverse and representative slate of candidates presented by the Members.

We are inviting you to be nominated or to nominate another candidate for the Board of the CMA. Submission guidelines are [posted on the CMA website](#). Submissions require a short bio, proof of CMA membership and information about involvement with the CMA. The submission must also be supported by two voting members and include the concurrence of the nominee.

Nominations from Members must be sent by **April 15, 2021** to elkaweinstein@gmail.com. We will prepare the Members slate to be sent in writing to the CMA by April 17, 2021.

Please reach out to us if you have questions or require further information:

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