

Press Release

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New Curators announces the opening of applications for its second cohort of curatorial fellows.

New Curators offers aspiring curators from lower socio-economic backgrounds a paid, 12-month intensive curatorial training from its base at the South London Gallery. This unique programme is designed to equip the next generation of curators with the knowledge, practical skills, networks, and confidence needed to thrive in the contemporary art world and transform it from within. The programme comprises academic seminars, skills training sessions, extensive networking opportunities, coaching and mentorship, and practical experience working collaboratively on a major exhibition.

In its first year, New Curators attracted more than 1,000 applications from 98 countries. The inaugural cohort comprises eleven fellows from a wide range of geographies, and academic and professional backgrounds. These fellows are currently working on a major exhibition of Firelei Báez which will open at the South London Gallery this summer.

New Curators is now inviting applications for the programme's second cohort who will complete the training between September 2024 and August 2025. Applications will close on 5 February 2024.

"New Curators is committed to creating an accessible pathway into the curatorial profession to ensure the artworld is richer, more representative and relevant in the years to come," said Lynn Blades, Chair of the New Curators Board of Trustees. "Our fellows represent the future of curatorial thought, and we are excited to witness how their ideas will reshape perceptions, challenge norms, and inspire new generations," said Rudi Minto de Wijs, Co-Director of New Curators.

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About New Curators

New Curators is a charity registered in England and Wales (registered number: 1195897) led by Mark Godfrey, Kerryn Greenberg and Rudi Minto de Wijs. The Board of Trustees is chaired by Lynn Blades. New Curators is funded by arts philanthropists. The initiative launched in November 2022, with the first cohort joining in September 2023.

The inaugural cohort of 2023-4 fellows includes:

1. Carol Bedoy (USA/Mexico)
2. Courtney Brown (USA)
3. Felix Choong (UK)
4. Lemeze Davids (South Africa)
5. Rosie Fitter (UK)
6. Lucia Jurikova (Slovakia)
7. Aditi Kapoor (India)
8. Makella Ama Ketedzi (Ghana/UK)
9. Rey Londres (Cuba/USA)
10. Nikita Sena (UK/Ghana)
11. Amandine Vabre Chau (France/Hong Kong)

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