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1708 Gallery Welcomes a New Executive Director

1708 Gallery is pleased to announce that Emily Smith is the new Executive Director. Smith joined the Gallery on September 13.

"I have long admired 1708 Gallery for its model as an artist-run, non-profit space dedicated to exhibiting contemporary art. With its annual exhibition season and public art projects like InLight Richmond, it serves an important role in this community. I am excited and honored to join the excellent Gallery staff and dedicated Board of Directors in working to continue 1708's outstanding programs and in developing new projects and initiatives." says Smith.

Prior to joining to 1708 Gallery, Emily was the Curatorial Fellow in Modern and Contemporary Art at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts where she worked from 2007 until 2010. Projects at VMFA include the exhibitions, The Ludwig and Rosy Fischer Collection of German Expressionist Art; Matisse, Picasso, and Modern Art in Paris; and Labor and Leisure: Works by African American Artists in the VMFA Permanent Collections. Prior to VMFA, she was Director of Exhibitions at Piedmont Arts in Martinsville, Virginia (2004-2007) and the Assistant Director at Second Street Gallery, Charlottesville, Virginia (2003-2004). Smith was an adjunct faculty member in art history at Patrick Henry Community College, Martinsville, VA and was a critic for a Charlottesville, Virginia weekly paper. Smith received a MA in Art History from the University of Virginia in 2002.

1708 Gallery is a non-profit arts organization committed to presenting exceptional new art. 1708 Gallery is committed to providing opportunities for artistic innovation for emerging and established artists and to expanding the understanding and appreciation of new art for the public.

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