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**TACOMA ART MUSEUM APPOINTS MoPOP's MATT MARSHALL
AS NEW DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT**



Tacoma, WA – Tacoma Art Museum (TAM) is pleased to announce the recent appointment of Matt Marshall to the position of Director of Development. Matt Marshall will start at the museum around June 24th, 2018.

Matt Marshall hails from a fifth-generation Puget Sound based family, with ties to Seattle and the South Sound region. He earned a B.A. in Film and Theatre Studies at Montana State University, and while in Montana, he began working in film, television, and music. On returning to Seattle, he garnered his first experience as a fundraiser for the groundbreaking non-profit Arts Corps.

After a period working in the music and entertainment field in Southern California, Marshall returned to Seattle and development work, first as Manager of Special Events, and then as Major Gifts Officer at the Seattle Symphony Orchestra (SSO). His significant achievements at the Symphony include the concept, development, and funding for concerts honoring Robert Rauschenberg and Andy Warhol. He also launched the Symphony's patron tours, which involved the development and oversight of projects in Europe, Asia, and the United States. At the SSO, Marshall oversaw a portfolio of over 100 major donors, and helped lead the effort to solicit several million-dollar gifts towards their \$100 million capital campaign.

Currently, Marshall is with the Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP) in Seattle, where he helped build a new fundraising team. Their efforts led to the substantial growth of MoPOP's community of financial supporters. In addition, he spearheaded the effort to invigorate the museum's endowment campaign and initiated the design phase of MoPOP's planned giving program.

"I am so pleased that we have found Matt for this very important position at TAM," said David F. Setford, TAM's Executive Director. "As the museum grows, and we plan important new programs at the museum for the community, we need an individual with Matt's dynamism, experience, and broad range of contacts to help us build on the generosity of past donors, including the Haub family and Rebecca Benaroya."

“I couldn't be more excited to have Matt join our TAM development team,” said Jeff Williams, TAM's Development Committee Co-Chair. “Matt's strong performance at MoPOP and the SSO is a reliable predictor of his continued career growth and success at TAM. I look forward to introducing Matt to our museum patrons and the community leaders of the South Sound.”

Marshall's other interests include scuba diving, film, photography, flying, and music. He serves as a trustee for the Allied Arts Foundation (AAF). In 2018, Marshall created the AAF's inaugural *Listen UP! Music by Women* grants for women composers and songwriters. The effort received 107 applications and was awarded 17 cash grants.

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About Tacoma Art Museum

Celebrating over 80 years, Tacoma Art Museum is an anchor in Tacoma's downtown with a mission of connecting people through art. TAM's collection contains more than 5,000 works, with an emphasis on the art and artists of the Northwest and broader Western region, 25% which consists of studio glass. The collection includes the largest retrospective museum collection of glass art by Tacoma native Dale Chihuly on permanent view; the most significant collection of studio art jewelry by Northwest artists; key holdings in 19th century European and 20th century American art; and one of the finest collections of Japanese woodblock prints on the West Coast. In 2012, TAM received a gift of more than 300 works of western American art from the Haub Family Collection, one of the premier such collections in the nation and the first major western American art museum collection in the Northwest. The Haub family also contributed \$20 million for an endowment and expansion completed in 2014. TAM is located in the heart of Tacoma's vibrant Museum District which consists of six museums including the Museum of Glass, a frequent collaborator.

HOURS – Tues–Sun 10 am–5 pm; FREE Neighborhood Nights every Thursday 5–8 pm; Fourth Fridays 10 am–8 pm.

ADMISSION – \$15 Adult, \$13 Student/Senior (65+), \$40 Family (2 adults and up to 4 children under 18), Children 5 and under free, Children 18 and under free on Saturdays. TAM Members; active duty military, reservists, veterans, and their families always free.

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