



The Silva Gallery x Latela Curatorial Announces New Partnership – December 8, 2025

After four years directing The Silva Gallery, Latela Curatorial is passing the baton to The Art Island, which has served as a long-established connector of artists and art collectors in the Washington, DC area via art exhibitions and community projects. This decision accompanies LC's expansion into global art procurement projects and a discontinuation of hosting regular exhibitions and programming, concluding ten years of curating exhibitions in Washington, DC (over 70 exhibitions since November 2015).

"I am proud of the vital role LC has played as an on-the-ground incubator in the Washington, DC art scene for the past 10 years – particularly in the last 4 years with the addition of The Silva Gallery to our partnerships. I could think of no one better than Beth Ferraro of The Art Island – who has produced many rotating exhibitions with a similar steadfast commitment to the local creative community – to step in as The Silva's next curatorial partner. I'm confident her voice and skill will steward the esteem of the gallery while presenting fresh perspectives within the local arts." - Marta Staudinger, Director of Latela Curatorial

In 2021, Latela Curatorial partnered with The Silva to source the building's permanent art collection (all of which are by Washington, DC area artists) as well as the opening and direction of The Silva Gallery. LC has curated fourteen exhibitions at The Silva Gallery, which include solo exhibitions for renowned Washington, DC artists: Rania Hassan, Rose Jaffe, Anne Hanger, Julia Chon, Nicole Salimbene, Jeremy Flick, Joseph Shetler, Charles Jean-Pierre, Andrea Limauro, Sami Miranda, and Anne Marchand.

With a mission to highlight artists in the greater Washington, DC area, the gallery has also featured prominent Baltimore artists, like Ernest Shaw and Schaun Champion. The one group exhibition presented by the gallery, curated in conjunction with LC's *See Support Collect Women in the Arts* Initiative, featured artworks by Kate Fitzpatrick, Rose Jaffe, Jackie Milad, Lee Nowell-Wilson, Kate Sable, and Nastassja E. Swift.

The gallery's exhibitions have garnered press from The Washington Post, Modern Luxury DC, East City Arts, and BmoreArt. An archive of all The Silva Gallery x Latela Curatorial exhibitions can be found here: <https://www.latelacuratorial.com/archive>.

The Silva Gallery's current and final exhibition curated by Latela Curatorial is *Lineal* by Rania Hassan, which includes framed drawings displayed next to delicate cut outs and mixed media woven installations, is on view through December 28, 2025: <https://www.latelacuratorial.com/the-silva-gallery-exhibitions/ania-hassan>.



The switch to a new gallery partnership and curator will begin in January 2026, with The Silva Gallery x The Art Island's first exhibition will open in early January with a solo exhibition by Lionel Daniels, curated by Beth Ferraro. More details will be announced soon at www.theartisland.com/thesilva.

Everyday People by Lionel Daniels will be on display at The Silva Gallery x The Art Island January 15 - May 1, 2026. Located at The Silva DC: 1630 Columbia Rd NW, Washington, DC 20009. A public reception will be held for the artist on Friday, January 23, from 6- 8pm. Inquiries should be directed to theartisland.dc@gmail.com.

About the Gallery:

The Silva Gallery x The Art Island at the Silva provides additional exhibition opportunities and curated promotion to local artists in the Greater Washington, DC area. The art gallery, located in the building's reception area, is open to the public Monday through Saturday from 10am - 5pm and Sundays from noon to 5pm. For updates on exhibition openings and other art-related events, visit www.theartisland.com/thesilva.

About The Art Island:

The Art Island launched in August 2014. Beth Ferraro is a curator, art connector, photographer, socially engaged artist, and creative facilitator with a focus on community impact and engagement. She has a BFA in Photography and Design from RIT and has worked in journalism as a Photo Editor for several publications, including Newsweek and Flaunt magazines. Following her time in New York City and Australia, she was the Creative Director at Honfleur Gallery and Vivid Solutions Gallery in Historic Anacostia, in Washington, DC, for seven years. Ferraro has managed residency programs, artists' studios, pop-up spaces, and creative placemaking projects in partnership with communities and artists. Since spring 2019, she has served as the Curator of Gallery Y, which she launched in partnership with the YMCA Anthony Bowen. For over a decade, Ferraro has supported the National Museum of Women in the Arts as a contractor with their events and programs team. She has worked with numerous other organizations on site-specific public art initiatives, art installations, public programs, and community events, including Smithsonian's Arts and Industries Building, Martha's Table, Building Bridges Across the River at THEARC, National Museum of Asian Art, Southwest Business Improvement District, Van Alen Institute, City First Foundation, Project Create, and Washington Project for the Arts.

About Latela Curatorial:

Latela Curatorial is an international art advisory and curatorial studio connecting art collectors, artists, design and corporate professionals, institutions, and art communities. www.latelacuratorial.com



About The Silva:

Developed by EastBanc and Mitsui Fudosan America, Inc. and managed by Bozzuto, The Silva features 172 thoughtfully designed apartments ranging from studios to two bedrooms, including 10 penthouse suites, making it the ideal home for residents looking to immerse themselves in the eclectic lifestyle of Adams Morgan while experiencing the best of high-end living. At The Silva, residents will find a rooftop terrace with sweeping views of the Capitol and the Washington Monument from the building's infinity pool, a private courtyard with lush greenery, and within each unit, state-of-the-art appliances and acoustical design.

Prospective residents can learn more about the building and pre-leasing options by visiting www.thesilvadc.com