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After nearly a decade of leadership, Executive Director York Lethbridge is moving on from Mercer Union.

In his time as both a Board Member and as Executive Director, York oversaw one of the most significant periods of growth and maturity in the organization's history. He was instrumental in refining Mercer Union's strategic objectives to focus on support for the production and presentation of new art for Toronto audiences, while making space for an evolving program of contemporary art by local and international artists.

York played a key role in the development of Mercer Union's signature biannual fundraiser, Stellar Living, which has enjoyed four successful iterations under his management. He helped raise the centre's profile within the arts community and substantially increased annual private sector fundraising at the organization.

In parallel with his administrative and development activities, York curated the exhibitions *The Thick of It* (2013) and *Astral Bodies* (2017), and supported successful commissioned projects by Aleksandra Mir, Geoffrey Farmer, Abbas Akhavan, and Deanna Bowen, among others.

We thank York for all of his hard work and passionate commitment, and we look forward to seeing where his skills and experiences take him next.

### **Mercer Union, a centre for contemporary art, Toronto**

Mercer Union is a non-profit, artist-centred space in Toronto. We have a unique track record of presenting innovative exhibitions by diverse Canadian and international artists in formative and established stages of their careers. We are dedicated to supporting the production of new and experimental work, assisting artists in realizing pivotal projects.

Mercer Union has the will and flexibility to take on ambitious projects. We foster an intimate and supportive space for artists to develop and take risks with their work. In turn, their exhibitions play a role in shaping the cultural landscape of Toronto, Canada and beyond.

Mercer Union. Cultivating artists and challenging audiences since 1979.

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Mercer Union acknowledges the support of its staff, volunteers and members, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Government of Ontario through the Ontario Arts Council and the City of Toronto through the Toronto Arts Council.

Admission is free and all are welcome.