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## FREE PUBLIC LECTURE

February 14, 2022 (Monday)

10:00 am

via Zoom

### WHY PEOPLE HATE ART

My three-year-old could have done that. What's that supposed to mean? As a curator and art gallery director, Robin has certainly heard visitors express bafflement and indignation about contemporary art. In this lecture, he will consider how contemporary visual art came to be seen as weird, difficult, inaccessible, even fraudulent; how our expectations of art are shaped by commercial pop culture; and how you might have a satisfying experience with art.

### ROBIN METCALFE

is a Canadian writer, curator, and Queer cultural activist of Acadian and Newfoundland ancestry. His art writing, fiction, poetry and essays have appeared in over 65 magazines and 15 anthologies, and been translated into French, Japanese, Mi'kmaw, Spanish, and Swedish. He was Director/Curator of Saint Mary's University Art Gallery, 2004 to 2020, and Curator of Contemporary Art at Museum London in Ontario, 2001 to 2004. He won the 2000 Evelyn Richardson Prize for Non-Fiction and was short-listed for a Canadian National Magazine Award in 2004.



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