

## FIRST CAPITAL REALTY INC. PRESENTS PUBLIC ART UNVEILING CEREMONY AT SHOPS AT KING LIBERTY

**Toronto, October 18, 2017-** First Capital Realty Inc. (FCR) in collaboration with OCAD University (OCAD U) is proud to present the winner of the 2017 Annual First Capital Realty Inc. Public Sculpture Competition. On Thursday, October 19th, 2017 at 10:00AM, the media is invited to the unveiling of this all-new permanent sculpture at Shops at King Liberty.

The artist selected to exhibit permanent work was chosen through a rigorous jury and selection process. Michelle Cieloszczyk, a third year student in OCAD University's Sculpture/Installation program, is the winner of the 2017 First Capital Realty Public Art Competition.

"The project called 'CAN', consists of a sculpture that mirrors the unrecognizable transformation of Liberty Village's past and its affluent present and future. A gatekeeper to the shops of liberty, 'CAN' is a remnant of the accelerated lifestyle. Its brand-less, textured form is antithetical to the smooth surfaces of consumer goods. The reconstructed skinny can is a waste object made clean and valuable. The enlarged can is personified, a presence with which viewers may empathize." -Michelle Cieloszczyk

FCR has sponsored public sculpture competitions at a number of universities including OCAD U. Through this competition, in its 6th year running, FCR offers the career defining opportunity of producing a sculptural work that will be prominently displayed on an exterior or interior location of one of their shopping centres. In addition to providing an OCAD U student with this fantastic opportunity, one of FCR's main goals is to add aesthetic value to the property and to enhance the experience of visitors to its centre.

When: Thursday, October 19th, 2017, 10:00AM

Where: Shops at King Liberty, 85 Hanna Avenue, Toronto, ON M6K 3S3

(Ground level outside Mildred's Temple Kitchen)

Website: <u>www.fcr.ca</u>

\*\*PHOTO AND INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE\*\*

INTERVIEWS: Sandra Levy, First Capital Realty Inc.

IMAGES: Images of artist and artworks available immediately



## About FCR

FIRST CAPITAL REALTY INC. [TSX: FCR] is one of Canada's largest owners, developers and managers of grocery anchored, retail-focused urban properties where people live and shop for everyday life. Our properties are where consumers shop for – groceries, prescription drugs, personal care items, household supplies, banking and other personal services or have a coffee and a bite to eat. As at June 30, 2017, the Company owned interests in 160 properties, totaling approximately 23.8 million square feet of gross leasable area. For more information on FCR please visit: Fcr.ca

## **About First Capital Realty Arts Program Initiative**

FCR has been involved in various art projects across the country for the last six years. These projects allow the Company to support local artists, engage with its communities while at the same time adding aesthetic value to its properties and enhancing the experience of visitors to these centres. Through collaborations with Ontario College of Art and Design University, Emily Carr University of Art and Design, and Concordia University, First Capital Realty has sponsored several competitions giving students/emerging artists an opportunity to showcase their talent and art as well as go through a process of real life modeling, presentations and other related interactions for their public art with a "client"/corporation. FCR also supports local established artists through public calls and holds an annual arts festival in Toronto.

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