



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

March 9, 2019

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to welcome everyone to the Williamsburg Art and Historical Center's opening reception for "Women Forward, Part 2: Innovative Women," in honor of Women's History Month.

My administration is dedicated to ensuring that every resident has access to New York's extraordinary creative landscape, and through investments in arts education, increases in affordable housing and workspaces for artists, and free memberships to cultural institutions for IDNYC holders, we are making great progress. In these efforts, I am grateful for the complementary programming of the WAH Center, which since 1996 has been guided by its mission to empower and highlight the thriving artistic community in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. Featuring works by more than 20 female artists representing different backgrounds and disciplines, its new exhibit will introduce diverse New Yorkers to the artistic contributions and viewpoints of talented women from this vibrant borough and beyond. As you gather to recognize the accomplishments of inventive women artists, I applaud this organization's dedicated staff and supporters for all they do to forge a stronger, more inclusive cultural sector in our great city.

On behalf of the City of New York, congratulations to everyone whose work is being showcased in this exhibition. Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable celebration and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bill de Blasio'.

Bill de Blasio  
Mayor