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## **Institute for Contemporary Art at VCU nominated as one of USA Today's best new museums**

**Richmond, VA – Jan. 22, 2020** The Institute for Contemporary Art at Virginia Commonwealth University has been nominated in USA Today's 2020 *10Best Readers' Choice travel awards*. An expert panel selected the ICA at VCU as a contender for Best New Museum. Each year brings a slew of new collections for museum lovers, reads [10Best.com](http://10Best.com). These museums, ranging from avant-garde art galleries to colorful children's museums, represent the best openings of the past two years.

The contest gives voters four weeks to vote for the candidate of their choice at <https://www.10best.com/awards/travel/best-new-museum/>. A person can vote once a day for the run of the contest. Voting ends Monday, Feb. 17 and the winners will be announced on Friday, Feb. 28 on [10Best.com](http://10Best.com).

### **About the Institute for Contemporary Art at Virginia Commonwealth University**

*The Institute for Contemporary Art at Virginia Commonwealth University is a non-collecting institution that showcases a fresh slate of changing exhibitions and programs. The ICA is a place to explore new ideas, providing an open forum for dialogue and collaboration across the region and the world. Mirroring the increasing emphasis on cross-disciplinary studies across VCU, the ICA has created a new environment for artists and scholars from around the world to test ideas. As a university-wide resource, the ICA links campus, community, and contemporary artists by supporting local creative communities, engaging an international network of contemporary artists and organizations, and encouraging collaborations with VCU departments, faculty, students, and the Richmond community. The ICA is a responsive institution that offers a broad range of artistic perspectives from across the world, with the goal of questioning assumptions and encouraging critical discourse. For more information on the ICA, please visit [icavcu.org](http://icavcu.org).*

### **About VCU and VCU School of the Arts**

*VCU is a major, urban public research university with national and international rankings in sponsored research. Located in downtown Richmond, VCU enrolls more than 31,000 students in 217 degree and certificate programs in the arts, sciences, and humanities. One of the nation's leading schools of arts and design, VCU School of the Arts offers 15 undergraduate and 10 graduate degree programs in fine arts, design, performing arts, historical research, and pedagogical practice. Distinguished faculty members are internationally recognized in their respective fields, contribute significantly to the stature of VCU, and are committed to mentoring the next generation of artists, entrepreneurs, scientists, scholars, and engaged citizens of diverse communities around the world. Its campus in Qatar provides students and faculty with a direct tie to the Middle East and underscores the school and university's commitment to global education and experience.*