

# DIALOG

ART GALLERY OF NOVA SCOTIA

## A design competition to reimagine Halifax's waterfront



### Civic & Culture

#### LOCATION

Halifax, NS

#### CLIENT

Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, Province of Nova Scotia; Develop Nova Scotia; Art Gallery of Nova Scotia

#### COMPLETION

2020

#### COLLABORATORS

Acre Architects  
Brackish Design Studio  
Shannon Webb-Campbell  
Charcoal Blue  
Englobe  
Local Projects  
Tillotson Design

#### DIALOG SERVICES

Architecture  
Interior Design  
Planning & Urban Design  
Structural Engineering  
Sustainability + Building Performance  
Consulting

DIALOG with Acre Architects, Brackish Design Studio and Shannon Webb-Campbell were selected as one of three finalists in the competition to design the new Art Gallery of Nova Scotia in September 2020. The submission, titled Sea Change, is an ambitious call to move beyond the traditional museum mandate of display and conservation to embrace new programs, art forms, practices and disciplines.

The building form is inspired in part by the local fog; sea smoke. This misty moving blanket envelopes the harbour, the boardwalk, and the buildings with a soft light that harmonizes the colors and textures of the land and water, while gently moving a moving and undulating along its length.