

## **Miryam Charles and Coryell Boffy-Resel named co-chairs of the RIDM and Forum RIDM board**



**Montreal, Tuesday, May 11, 2021** – The **Montreal International Documentary Festival (RIDM)** and **Forum RIDM** are pleased to announce new co-chairs for their board of directors: director, producer and cinematographer **Miryam Charles**, and **Coryell Boffy-Resel**, independent advisor in international relations. Both are already members of the board and regular festival attendees. They will replace outgoing chair **Sarah Spring**. Thanks to their complementary expertise, they will contribute to the success of both organizations.

“With this new mandate, I hope to keep advancing the RIDM’s mission of openness and equality through my experience and knowledge of the various facets of documentary cinema,” said **Miryam Charles**.

“Documentary has the potential to recount history, interpret the present and change the future. I hope to contribute to the success of reality-based cinema through the festival,” added **Coryell Boffy-Resel**.

The RIDM board also includes Simon Tellier, Rémy Khouzam, Frédéric Barriault, Ginette Depelteau, Philippe Lamarre, and Annie St-Pierre.

**Miryam Charles** has produced several fictional short and feature films. She has also directed several shorts that have been shown at festivals in Quebec and internationally. She is currently directing her first feature-length documentary, *Cette maison* (Talents en vue, SODEC), a fictional short called *Au crépuscule* (SODEC créateurs émergents), the fantasy series *X* (Banff/Netflix Diversity of Voices + Trio Orange) and the fictional feature *Le marabout* (La Forge Québec Cinéma/Netflix + Voyelles Films).

**Coryell Boffy-Resel** has nearly 15 years of experience in building partnerships and collaborations between academic institutions, companies, governments and non-profit organizations, both locally and internationally. Among other things, he has facilitated the establishment of international organizations working on environmental, social and economic development issues. He has considerable skills in ecosystem development, governance, corporate strategy and executive consulting.

The 24<sup>th</sup> **Montreal International Documentary Festival** will be held from **November 10 to 21, 2021**, and the 17<sup>th</sup> edition of **Forum RIDM** will take place from **November 13 to 17, 2021**.

#### **About [RIDM](#)**

Quebec's first film festival dedicated to documentaries, the Montreal International Documentary Festival presents the best reality-based films, including the works of established directors and new talents.

#### **About [Forum RIDM](#)**

The professional market organized in parallel with the festival hosts a dozen activities for documentary professionals, including workshops and presentations, and facilitates more than 1,500 business meetings.