

October 29, 2020

Director Alice Roegholt
Museum Het Schip
Oostzaanstraat 44
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Re: Support letter Amsterdam Fonds voor de Kunst application.

Dear Director Roegholt, dear Alice,

In my capacity as senior program officer at the Getty Foundation in Los Angeles I write, with distinct pleasure, to endorse Museum Het Schip's grant application to the Amsterdam Fonds voor de Kunst. We remain extremely proud of your and your colleagues' outstanding work toward preserving and documenting Het Schip museum and urban block which, as you know, for over a century has adorned the City of Amsterdam as an inspiring example of civic engagement and social change. Our 2015 Keeping It Modern grant, has borne fruit in many different ways and, most notably, it helped raise awareness about the buildings great historic significance among current occupants. In this regard Museum Het Schip fulfills a unique function as many of your constituents have direct and strong ties to the social and cultural fabric of Amsterdam. Het Schip plays a critical role in ensuring that the relevance of the 'Zeitgeist' in which the building came to life is preserved and presented now and into the future.

As you prepare your grant application with the city council, I hope that my letter conveys just how important museum Het Schip is in telling the story of the city's historic role in providing quality housing for low income earners. It would be a great lost opportunity for promoting iconic Amsterdam architecture in a global context if the museum would not be able to continue its work in this field. Amsterdam School architecture, so omnipresent in your city is symbolic of social change, and has earned international recognition as unique style, which is so well exhibited and contextualized by museum Het Schip.

I wholeheartedly support your application for support from the Amsterdam Fonds voor de Kunst, and I look forward to receiving positive news in due time.

We wish you every success and good health,



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