VISUAL ARTS
MISSISSAUGA
at RIVERWOOD

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Dear Mr. Rajšić,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Visual Arts Mississauga (VAM) at Riverwood as well as the Juried Show Committee, congratulations on receiving honourable mention at VAM40 Annual Juried Show of Fine Arts with your entry ***"To Un-Become Bosnia"***.

The **Annual Juried Show of Fine Arts** is one of the region's most anticipated artists' call for entry. It is an annual opportunity to survey a variety of practices by artists who range from graduating students to senior members of the visual arts community. The Juried Show has been hosted by the **Art Gallery of Mississauga** since 1987. This year, there were **160 submissions** received from individual artists from across Ontario and 40 pieces were finalized into this year's show. The jurors, John Armstrong, Jayne Wilkinson, and Faisal Anwar were tasked with the difficult decision of placing this year's entries. Their collected reflections on your work were, ***"This photograph masterfully deploys light and shadow to suggest the trauma that results in the aftermath of armed conflict. Its careful composition brings attention to a building's façade, darkened in shadow but with several suggestive, open, light-filled windows, and a figure that surveys a landscape of debris. After the war, this is an image that suggests both the futility of attempting to rebuild one's life and the ever-present possibility that life must persist."***

Congratulations to you - your work will continue to be on exhibit at the AGM until February 10, 2018. Enclosed is a $100 gift card to DeSerres awarded for honourable mention.

Founded in 1977, Visual Arts Mississauga (VAM) at Riverwood is a not-for-profit charitable organization with a mission to *enrich our community by fostering an appreciation of the visual arts through education, exhibition and engagement; and by enhancing the vitality of the artistic community.* VAM offers the community quality **year-round art instruction** for adults, teens and children. Our vision is to be a **catalyst** where art inspires and enriches the community.

Again, congratulations on your winning submission and we are looking forward to keeping in touch with you over the coming year!

Sincerely,

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