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Robyn Kennedy
Chief Administrator, Renwick Gallery

Robyn Kennedy is the chief administrator of the Renwick Gallery, the Smithsonian American Art Museum's branch for contemporary craft and decorative art. She oversees daily operations, building facilities, exhibitions, and long-term planning at the Renwick Gallery.

During her tenure, Kennedy has overseen the two-year, \$30 million renovation of the Renwick Gallery's National Historic Landmark building. The project includes new infrastructure, restored historic features, dramatically improved energy efficiency, and other upgrades that make it a 21st-century destination attraction.

Recently, Kennedy coordinated the presentation of the spring 2017 exhibitions "June Schwarcz: Invention and Variation" and "Voukos: The Breakthrough Years."

Kennedy joined the Smithsonian American Art Museum staff in 1980 and became an exhibition designer in 1990. She has been a manager at the Renwick Gallery since 2004.

She earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. In 2008, she participated in the prestigious professional development program, the Museum Leadership Institute, which is part of the Getty Foundation's Getty Leadership Institute.

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