

Toronto Through The Eyes Of Women Artists

TORONTO: A new City of Toronto Market Gallery exhibit, *Toronto Through the Eyes of Women Artists*, highlights how Canadian women artists have depicted and engaged with Toronto over the past 170 years. The exhibit opened on November 24 and will run until April 27, 2019.

"This exhibit is a rare opportunity to discover a historic array of works about the city created by nationally-acclaimed artists," said Mayor John Tory.

The 56 exhibited works range from more traditional cityscapes to contemporary views of the city.

The exhibit presents 37 nationally-acclaimed artists including: Rebecca Baird, Paraskeva Clark, Marion Long, Kelly Mark, Doris McCarthy, Christiane Pflug, Margaret Priest, Helga Roht Poznan-



ski and Kim Ondaatje, among others.

Archival photos, exhibit catalogues, announcement cards and newspaper articles help curate the historical, social and creative context of women artists living and working in Toronto during three time periods, from 1850 to the present.

All of the 56 exhibited works are part of the City of Toronto's

Art Collection. This is the first time the gallery has presented a group exhibit featuring women artists from the collection. The collection contains nearly 3,000 works from almost 900 artists, more than a quarter of them women.

Many works by women artists in the collection depict unique views of the city and often focus on the relationship between inter-

rior spaces and the urban outdoor landscape beyond. More information about the collection is available at: <http://app.toronto.ca/gorms/fineArt/index.jsp>.

The Market Gallery presents exhibitions dedicated to Toronto's art, culture and history and offers educational programs for school groups and adults. Located on the second floor of the South St. Lawrence Market at 95

Front St. E., the gallery is open Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed Sunday, Monday and holidays.

More information is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/market-gallery>.

Toronto History Museums are a group of 10 museums owned and operated by the City of Toronto that bring Toronto's history to life for residents and visitors. They include Colborne Lodge, Fort York National Historic Site, Gibson House Museum, Mackenzie House, Market Gallery, Montgomery's Inn, Scarborough Museum, Spadina Museum, Todmorden Mills and Zion Schoolhouse. More information about Toronto History Museums is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/museums>.

7th Annual Teddy Bear Toss In Mississauga

MISSISSAUGA: For the seventh consecutive season, the Mississauga Steelheads will be supporting the Boys and Girls Club of Peel by hosting the always exciting annual Teddy Bear Toss Game. The tradition continues with the Saginaw Spirit visiting the Paramount Fine Foods Centre on Sunday, December 9th to take on the Steelheads in a matinee contest that gets underway at 2:00PM.

Once again, this year's Teddy Bear Toss is presented by Canadian Tire – an organization that makes a tremendous impact in Mississauga and across the Peel Region.

Scott Morash, General Manager of Canadian Tire Meadowvale comments on behalf of the game's presenting partner, "By partnering with the Mississauga Steelheads for their annual Teddy Bear Toss hockey game, the five local Mississauga Canadian Tire stores are able to give back to children in our community.

"Be it a stuffed toy given out by the Boys and Girls Club of Peel or by helping kids participate in sports through our own JumpStart program, we are able to use this community event to help put a smile on the faces of those children that benefit from this annual event."

Michael J Gyovai, Resource Development Manager for the Boys and Girls Club of Peel comments on the impact this event has on their organization.

"The partnership with the Mississauga Steelheads and Canadian Tire is essential to the long-term



growth and development of the program and services we offer to the children, youth and families in Mississauga and across Peel.

It is because of local partnerships like with the Steelheads we are able to provide opportunities for

our youth to thrive, in school and society."

The Steelheads, Canadian Tire and the Boys and Girls Club of Peel encourage all fans attending the game to bring a stuffed toy with them to the game on Sunday

afternoon.

As tradition has it, when the Mississauga Steelheads score their first goal, the gracious fans respond by tossing their stuffed toy onto the ice. The toys are then gathered from the ice and trans-

ported to the Boys and Girls Club to be given out as Christmas gifts for those kids who may not have otherwise received anything.

Prior Teddy Bear Toss Goal scorers include Trent Fox (2017), Spencer Watson (2016), Nathan Bastian (2015), Lucas Venuito (2014), Dylan Smoskowitz (2013) and Riley Brace (2012).

As part of the festivities on Sunday afternoon, Canadian Tire will be set up on the concourse selling bears for fans to toss on the ice will all proceeds going back to Canadian Tire's Jumpstart Foundation.

Additionally, tickets for children 12 and under are just \$6 while fans are encouraged to bring their skates and join the Steelheads for a post-game skate with the team after the final buzzer.

Dance Ontario Event To Feature 25 Professional Companies, 350 Artistes

Dance Ontario's 26th edition of Dance Weekend features 25 professional dance companies, with over 350 dancers and musicians, with performances including Ballet, Bellydance, Flamenco, Contemporary, Bharatanatyam, Korean and Urban Dance.

PLUS commissioned world premieres from two of Toronto's most exciting choreographic voices through Dance Ontario's Creative Partnership program.

The performances are at the Fleck Dance Theatre, 207 Queens Quay West, Toronto.

Makeda Estrella Benitez will collaborate with Bahram Aghakhan and Persamenico, a Toronto-based Persian-derived musical ensemble for Dentre, taken from flamenco's inward turn of the hands, a gesture of welcoming and drawing in.

In this dance, they welcome each other's creative voices as fellow travelers and invite audiences to step inside the work to feel the power of duende, the flamenco spirit.

Together across decades to dance this earth, Decades Collective spans generations with inspiration from global roots, taking diversity to another level through artists Sashar Zarif, Maxine Heppner, Mi Young Kim, Mafa Makhubalo, Jennifer Dallas, Atri Nundry, and Jill Carter. The collective creation will imprint "land",

"home", and "belonging" on Toronto audiences. "Together across decades to dance this earth"

Scheduled to perform:

Saturday, January 26, from 1pm – 7:30pm – Ritmo Flamenco, Sampradaya Dance Creations, Nostos Collectives, Mi Young Kim Dance Company, Zata Omm Dance Projects, Makeda Benitez – commission, Decades Collective – commission, The School of Toronto Dance Theatre, Tiger Princess Dance Projects, Arkan Dance Company, Kaeja d'Dance, Shavar Blackwood in partnership with dance Immersion, Peggy Baker Dance Projects, Canada's Ballet Jørgen

Sunday, January 27, from 1pm – 7:30pm - Jade's Hip Hop Performance Co, Alysa Pires Dance Projects, Arte Flamenco! Spanish Dance Company, Canadian Contemporary Dance Theatre, Makeda Benitez – commission, Decades Collective – commission, Belinda McGuire Dance Projects, Rock Bottom Movement, Larchaud Dance Project, Arabesque/Yasmina Ramzy Arts, Tanveer Alam in partnership with New Blue Emerging Dance, Ryerson Theatre School – Dance Program, Avinoam Silverman Dance, Esmeralda Enrique Spanish Dance Company.

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