

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS WITH 35 ARTISTS

THE ART GALLERY OF MISSISSAUGA'S 35TH ANNIVERSARY PERMANENT COLLECTION ON EXHIBIT

MISSISSAUGA, NOVEMBER 3, 2022 – The Art Gallery of Mississauga (AGM) is proud to celebrate its 35th Anniversary by bringing the 35th Anniversary Permanent Collection Exhibition to 300 City Centre Drive. On display from November 8, 2022, to January 22, 2023, the exhibition showcases 35 artists marking 35 years. An opening reception will take place on Thursday, November 10, 2022, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

The doors of the AGM first opened in 1987, in conjunction with the opening of the Mississauga Civic Centre, and began acquiring works for a permanent collection in 1995. Over the years, the collection has grown through purchases and donations and now holds more than 500 pieces. Loosely organized by acquisition year, this exhibition begins to tell a story about the AGM's collecting history to see where we've been and consider what directions we should explore next.

"Each artwork in our permanent collection is the result of careful choices made by the gallery and its acquisitions committees over the years, and we're fortunate to have acquired many important pieces from culturally diverse artists across Canada," says Shannon Anderson, Curator at the AGM. "It's an important moment for the AGM to share this collection with our audiences as we embark on planning its next chapter."

The exhibition comprises exceptional pieces, including works by both local and internationally recognized artists, and features a wide range of mediums and approaches.

The exhibition features works by Kim Adams, Stephen Andrews, John Armstrong, Carl Beam, Cathy Daley, Shirley Erskine, Ivan Eyre, Fausta Facciponte, Frederick Hagan, Robert Houle, George Hunter, Tim Jocelyn, Dorothy Knowles, Rita Letendre, Susan Low-Beer, Ken Lum, P. Mansaram, Sanaz Mazinani, Doris McCarthy, Andrew McPhail, Norval Morrisseau, Eileen Oswald, Jane Ash Poitras, Annie Pootoogook, Stephanie Rayner, Brent Roe, Abraham Anghik Ruben, Pitaloosie Saila, Arnold Shives, Jaclyn Shoub, Fay Sproule, Jeannie Thib, Jeff Thomas, David Urban, Leszek Wyczoklowski.

Tickets to the opening reception are free, and guests can register at: bit.ly/AGM35collection

The AGM is open 6 days per week, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 5 pm, Thursdays from 10 am to 8 pm, and Saturdays from 12 pm to 4 pm. They are closed on Mondays and Holidays.

The Art Gallery of Mississauga is a public Gallery supported by the City of Mississauga, the Ontario Arts Council, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, corporations, private citizens, and Gallery members. The AGM provides platforms for exhibitions, collections, and experimentation in contemporary culture with a recent focus on artists and cultural producers from Indigenous, newcomer, and youth communities. Through a broad range of educational programs, artist projects, and other forms of critical dialogue, the AGM seeks to transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries, foster community, and provide spaces where alternative modes of thought are supported and activated in tangible ways. The AGM is proud to admit people free of charge, serve communities, and provide positive visual art experiences for all visitors.

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