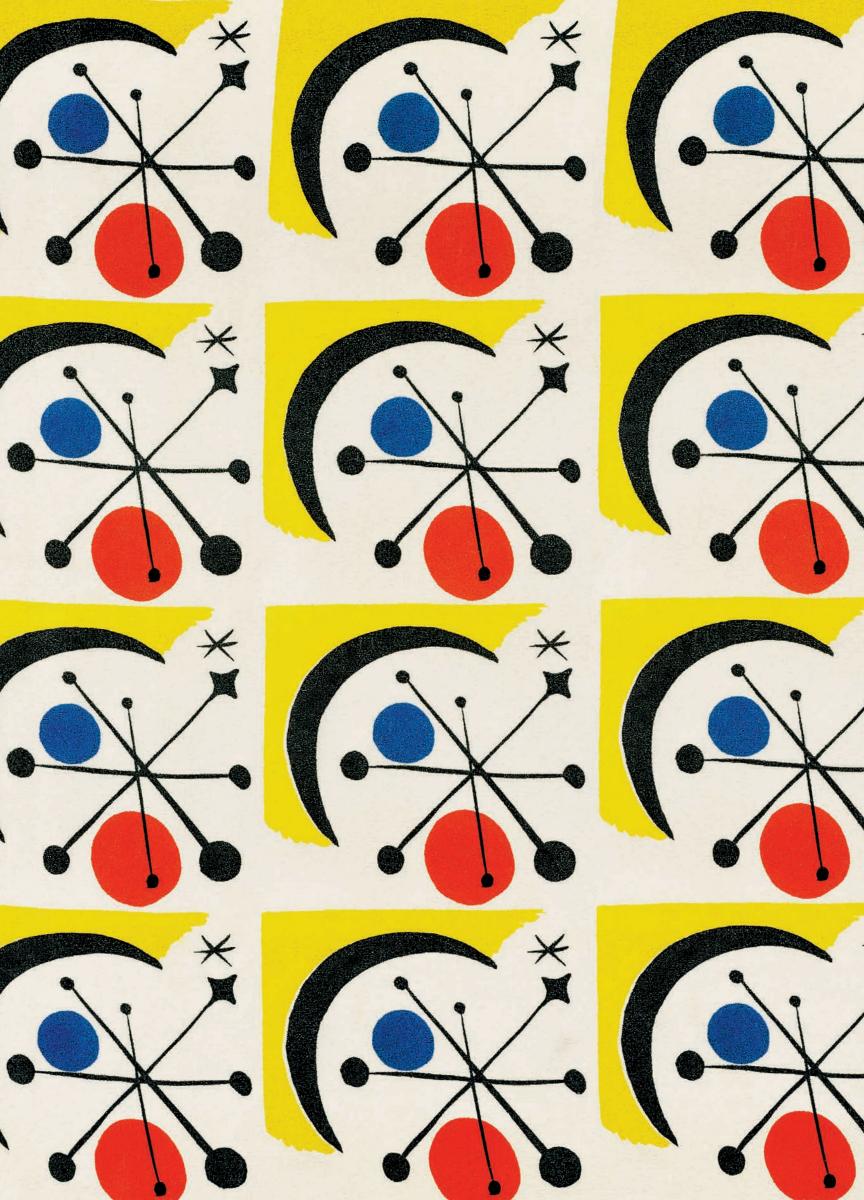


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MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS



THE MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS CITED AS MODEL EXAMPLE IN THE OECD AND ICOM'S INTERNATIONAL GUIDE

"The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the International Council of Museums (ICOM) recognized the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' pioneering role in their guide launched in December 2018, Culture and Local Development: Maximising the Impact. Guide for Local Governments, Communities and Museums. This remarkable validation from two major international economic and cultural institutions will enable us to disseminate our message ever farther, so as to strengthen the role of culture and expand the definition of trailblazing museums, like the MMFA, that are fostering greater inclusion and wellness."

- Nathalie Bondil

The Museum is cited in 5 of the 16 international case studies in the guide: a remarkable nod to our institution's actions that stem from a humanist, innovative and inclusive vision.

Below are a few excerpts from the publication that is available online at www.oedc.org:



1. Partnering for urban regeneration

Regarding the MMFA's involvement in creating the Zone Éducation-Culture in 2016, in collaboration with Concordia University and the Ville de Montreal: "The project ... has its roots in a common vision [of the three institutions] to improve Montreal's role as a city of knowledge and culture. The project will ... strengthen the local cultural identity by displaying public art and the innovative transformation of urban infrastructure."

2. Promoting inclusiveness and diversity: Montreal Museum of Fine Arts supporting the Pride Festival

Supporting the Montréal Pride Festival since 2015, the MMFA "organises exclusive visits to the collections and exhibitions for festivalgoers and takes part in the closing parade with its own float and volunteer involvement. These actions are all part of the Museum's policy to promote inclusiveness and diversity in all its forms whether that be cultural, sexual, ethnic or otherwise."

3. Partnership for education: EducArt digital platform, Quebec, Canada

Launched in 2017 by the MMFA, EducArt gives secondary school teachers across the province access to an interdisciplinary approach to teaching the educational curriculum, based on the Museum's encyclopedic collection. This "digital platform designed in collaboration with high school teachers ... is also a database of innovative educational projects. ... It allows students in remote areas to access more diverse educational and cultural learning opportunities."

4. Museums and criminal rehabilitation: the experience of Louvre, France, and Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Canada

The MMFA "has a program in criminal rehabilitation where they collaborate with the Centre for Services in Restorative Justice to facilitate a monthly art therapy workshop for restorative justice. The Museum hosts the workshop led by the MMFA's full-time art therapist. Workshops are free of charge and use art, by offering a space for sharing, as a catalyst for healing, finding peace and mending broken social ties. They are aimed at facilitating the process of inclusion and reintegration of offenders."

5. Promoting inclusiveness, health and well-being: A Manifesto for a Humanist Fine Arts Museum

"As part of the Manifesto for a Humanist Fine Arts Museum written by Nathalie Bondil,1 the MMFA has put forth a strong vision of the social role of culture and cultural institutions and has taken numerous actions aimed at promoting inclusiveness, health, and well-being. The MMFA's art therapy programme takes a particularly innovative approach, which has earned global recognition. The established programmes are aimed broadly at persons experiencing mental health disorders, autism, eating disorders, and learning and behavioural difficulties, and also extends to socially excluded and marginalised individuals. Activities are quite diverse ranging from: using art to improve self-image, hosting arts workshops to assist those with speech and sensory disorders and helping immigrants to settle by illustrating their own life stories through art. The MMFA partners with many specialised partners to create these programmes and works with scientific organisations and universities to perform research in these areas. To facilitate these activities, in 2016, the Museum inaugurated a purpose-built premises, and in 2017 established an Art and Health Advisory Committee of 16 experts to form policy in this area. In 2018, museum-visit prescriptions started to be administered by doctors as part of a new project between the Museum and the Canadian association of francophone doctors."

Nathalie Bondil (ed.) "Manifesto for a Humanist Fine Arts Museum," The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Michal and Renata Hornstein Pavilion for Peace, International Art and Education: Michel de la Chenelière International Atelier for Education and Art Therapy (Montreal: Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, 2016), p. 20-28.

THE MMFA: A CULTURE STEEPED IN INNOVATION

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts has wrapped up yet another successful year! After drawing 1,046,120 people in 2018-2019, it once again exceeded the mark of one million visitors, ranking 2nd in Canada, 15th in North America and 76th in the world in terms of attendance.¹ People flocked to the major exhibitions From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present, Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor and Thierry Mugler: Couturissime (an instant hit). Thanks to the richness of their content and the unparalleled quality of their design, these exhibitions won enthusiastic accolades both at home and abroad.

In addition, we embarked on several new initiatives this year, including the inauguration of the Cinéma du Musée in September 2018, an agreement with the Avataq Cultural Institute, which will see the Institute take up offices in the MMFA complex in 2021, and the highly publicized launch of the world's first Museum Prescriptions. Even more impressive, the Museum earned high praise for its innovative projects from the OECD and ICOM in their guide describing the impact of museums on local politics. The MMFA is cited in the guide for its best practices in five areas of social action: the creation of the Zone Éducation-Culture, its participation in the Montréal Pride parade, its EducArt educational platform, its art therapy workshops, the establishment of its Art and Health Committee and the implementation of the Museum Prescriptions program.

108,000 LOYAL MEMBERS

The MMFA has the distinction of being the museum with the highest membership in Canada, and it ranks fifth in North America in this regard. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I'd like to express my gratitude to our roughly 108,000 Members for their invaluable and unwavering support — you are all proud examples of a committed and loyal community.

THE MMFA, AN IMPORTANT CULTURAL AMBASSADOR FOR MONTREAL ON THE WORLD STAGE

Following their presentations in Montreal, the Museum's major exhibitions travel to cities all over the world, where they continue to win renown by virtue of their high calibre and spectacular design. For example, *Napoleon: Art and Court Life in the Imperial Palace* embarked on a multi-city tour that took it from the United States (the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, in Richmond, and the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, in Kansas City) to France (Château de Fontainebleau). For its part, the exhibition *Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor*, presented in Montreal in fall 2018, went on to enjoy a run at the National Gallery of Victoria in Melbourne, Australia.

Toward the end of the fiscal year, in March 2019, the Museum earned rave reviews from the international press for the world premiere of *Thierry Mugler: Couturissime*. The show, a resounding success, attracted unprecedented media coverage.

I have all the admiration in the world for Nathalie Bondil and our teams for putting together exhibitions that are ever-more bold, relevant and multidisciplinary. Thanks to their vision, the MMFA continues to make Montreal shine far beyond its borders.

SOUND AND EFFECTIVE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Last year, the Museum received an injection of additional financial aid totalling \$2 million per year over five years, which allowed it to offset repeated cuts to its funding in recent years and achieve a more balanced budget. Coupled with the Museum's self-generated revenues (54%), it now has a budget of \$37.8 million to help it manage rising costs related to operations and the development of new projects while continuing to maximize accessibility.

As part of an initiative launched by the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications in March 2018, the Museum offers free admission to its collections and Discovery Exhibitions on the first Sunday of each month. However, since the MMFA's major exhibitions are critical to its self-generated revenues, these exhibitions are not included in the free admission on those days.

The fiscal year ended with a small surplus. I'd like to thank the Audit and Financial Administration Committee, chaired by Lise Croteau and composed of Alain B. Auclair, Louis Bernard, Jessica Pathy and Yves Roy, as well as the Administration team for their exemplary professionalism.

THE MMFA FOUNDATION HITS NEW HEIGHTS

The Foundation earned the number one spot among arts and cultural organizations on the Charity 100 list, *Maclean's* annual ranking of Canadian charities. With a final grade of B+, the Museum Foundation was this year's top-ranked cultural charity, ahead of the other 27 organizations in this category, which scored B or less.

Adding to a banner year, the 2018 edition of the Museum Ball was a huge success, setting a new record by raising \$1.5 million in net proceeds. The Foundation's revenues were up 11% compared with fiscal year 2017-2018.

Hats off to Danielle Champagne, Director General of the Foundation, and to the members of the Foundation's Board, presided by Sylvie Demers. By ensuring the Museum's sustainability, the Foundation is a driving force whose remarkable efforts are infinitely appreciated.

AN ENRICHED COLLECTION THANKS TO GENEROUS DONORS

Given our limited budget for new acquisitions, the Museum relies almost entirely on the generosity of collectors and donors to build its collections. Among them, I would particularly like to thank Bruce Bailey for his dedicated commitment to our cause. On September 23, 2018, he organized a Fête Champêtre in support of the MMFA at his country estate north of Toronto. The gala event raised over \$400,000 for our acquisitions fund (mainly earmarked for post-1900 international art).

I'd like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the donors and patrons who helped enrich our collections in 2018-2019. Thanks to them, the MMFA was able to acquire 400 new works this year.

THE MICHEL DE LA CHENELIÈRE INTERNATIONAL ATELIER FOR EDUCATION AND ART THERAPY CAPTURING WORLDWIDE INTEREST

Invitations poured in from around the world for the MMFA to present its innovative vision of education and art therapy. The world's leading museums are all curious to learn more about these new practices imagined and implemented by Nathalie Bondil. A number of cooperation agreements have been reached with the likes of the Musée du Louvre, Musée du Quai Branly – Jacques Chirac, Musée Rodin and Musée d'Orsay. What an honour it is to share our expertise with these prestigious institutions!

I would also like to highlight the Museum's increasingly important role in scientific research focusing on the health benefits of art. For example, the RUISSS McGill Centre of Excellence on Longevity and Montreal's Jewish General Hospital partnered with the MMFA to conduct a study evaluating the effects of participatory cultural mediation activities on the health and quality of life of healthy people aged 65 and over living in the Montreal community. The results of the study show that taking part in such activities not only improved the well-being and quality of life of the participants, but also had benefits for their health.

VOLUNTEERS, THE HEART AND SOUL OF OUR ACTIONS

Once again this year, I would like to express my great admiration for the many volunteers who work at the Museum: for the Guides who offer enriching visitor experiences, for the Acquisition Committee members, and for the members who are part of our Philanthropic Circles community and involved in fundraising events. A special thank you to my colleagues on the Boards of Trustees of the Museum and its Foundation for their devoted efforts in ensuring our continued growth.



JACQUES PARISIENChair of the Board

Photo © Manon Boyer



Congratulations to architect Manon Asselin, who won an Ernest-Cormier Award for her outstanding career achievements. The firm Atelier TAG, of which she is the cofounder and codirector, received a Governor General's Award in architecture for the Michal and Renata Hornstein Pavilion for Peace, realized in consortium with Jodoin Lamarre Pratte architectes. My sincere thanks to Manon for creating such a stunning showcase for our collection of international art from the Middle Ages to today.

Photo © Mark Cramer

"It is a tremendous joy and honour to succeed Jacques Parisien as Chair of the Board. Jacques enabled the Museum to improve its financial situation and reinforce its governance practices. I am embarking on this new challenge with a great sense of motivation. The MMFA has earned widespread renown for every aspect of its activities – for its outstanding exhibitions, for its innovative approach in education and art therapy, and for its community involvement. It is my desire to continue to consolidate its financial situation so that it can implement even more new and innovative projects."

Michel de la Chenelière,
 33rd Chair of the MMFA

PRESTIGIOUS HONOURS

The Museum and its teams have earned many accolades for their avant-gardism. For her remarkable contribution to the city's reputation and development, Nathalie Bondil was named a Knight of the Ordre de Montréal, the city's highest honour, in May 2018. In November, she received the prestigious Peter Herrndorf Award, becoming the first director of a Quebec cultural institution to win this distinction. At the beginning of 2019, she was named a Knight of the Legion of Honor, France's highest national distinction. The title was officially bestowed on her at a ceremony in summer 2019.

My congratulations also go to Michel de la Chenelière, who received the Award of Excellence in Philanthropy from the Canadian Museums Association, as well as being appointed a member of the Order of Canada. I would like to express my utmost gratitude to him for his remarkable generosity and philanthropic dedication to education at the MMFA.

THREE MEMORABLE YEARS AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD

A special thanks is owed to all the members of the Board as well as the Museum's management and staff for their confidence and support over the past three years of my term, an adventure that began in June 2016, just before the inauguration of the Pavilion for Peace. In the course of my duties, I have always strived to ensure good governance of the Museum throughout a period of remarkable growth marked by new attendance records (notably 1.3 million visitors in 2017, the year of Montreal's 375th anniversary).

I am proud of the role I have played in improving the MMFA's financial stability, reinforcing its governance processes, and launching strategic

initiatives in the areas of digital projects, security and funding. Each of these endeavours was overseen by a member of the Board of Trustees.

I would like to commend Michel de la Chenelière, my successor as Chair of the Board of Trustees. A major patron of education at the MMFA, Michel is the perfect candidate to take up this challenge. Determined, rigorous and persuasive, he can be counted on to continue to pursue the Museum's mission of excellence while strengthening its ties with the Montreal community and expanding on its international renown. It is with great pleasure that I will continue to serve on the Board as Honorary President. This role will allow me to participate in the implementation of new and exciting projects for the benefit of our magnificent Museum.

In closing, I would like to thank the various government bodies for their essential role in supporting the fulfilment of the MMFA's mission and the development of its many projects: the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec and the Conseil des arts de Montréal.





SOME DEAR FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM LEFT US IN 2018-2019

Pierre Théberge (1942-2018)

On October 5, 2018, we were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Pierre Théberge, a key figure in the history of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and later of the National Gallery of Canada. When he took the helm of the MMFA in 1986, Théberge was considered to be one of the foremost connoisseurs of Canadian and international contemporary art. Successively curator (1977-1978), the first Chief Curator (1979-1985) and then, for nearly 12 years, the Director of the MMFA (1986-1997), Théberge helped

make the institution more dynamic and democratic, to the delight of Montrealers, by presenting exhibitions specially designed for the general public. With an ambitious policy centred on major exhibitions, he raised the Museum's profile in cultural and artistic circles across the world, most notably in France, Germany, the United States and the Netherlands. In addition to his collaborations with Jean-Louis Prat and Jean Clair, he organized exhibitions on Guido Molinari, Greg Curnoe, N.E. Thing Co., Michael Snow and Joyce Wieland.

Théberge notably donated paintings, prints and drawings by Ron Martin, Betty Goodwin and Leon Golub, among others, as well as a series of Chinese propaganda posters. A loyal friend of the MMFA, he served as a volunteer on the Acquisition Committee – International Art after 1900 up until hi sing.

Pierre Théberge and Bobinette in front of Roy Lichtenstein's Tintin Reading. © Estate of Roy Lichtenstein / SOCAN (2019). Photo MMFA, Christine Guest

François-Marc Gagnon (1935-2019)

François-Marc Gagnon leaves behind an inestimable legacy to Quebec and Canadian art history. A prolific author of essential scholarly works, he was also an esteemed professor and speaker. Forever questioning the stereotypes depicted in colonial-era representations, Gagnon became an undisputed expert on the modernist movement. In 1978, he was awarded the prestigious Governor General's Award for his critical biography of Paul-Émile Borduas and published a book on the artist's writings that

same year. In 1988, the MMFA invited him to curate its major retrospective on Borduas. Other distinctions underscoring his outstanding contributions would follow, including the Order of Canada in 1999, the André-Laurendeau Prize in 2008, the Gérard-Morisset Award in 2009 and the Ordre national du Québec in 2015. Gagnon served on three of our acquisition committees. Up until his passing on March 28, 2019, he was adding the finishing touches to a scholarly article to

appear in the catalogue for the exhibition *Riopelle: The Call of Northern Landscapes and Indigenous Cultures*. Our thoughts are with the family and friends of this leading figure in Quebec art history, who so generously shared his passion and knowledge with the public and the Museum's teams.

François-Marc Gagnon in front of the portrait of his father, Maurice Gagnon, by Paul-Émile Borduas. © Estate of Paul-Émile Borduas / SOCAN (2019). Photo Richard-Max Tremblay

François Dell'Aniello (1959-2018)

An art enthusiast and loyal friend to the Museum, François Dell'Aniello went to extraordinary lengths to rally collectors, artists and donors. This charming man of generous heart passed away on July 5, 2018. As a major collector of

contemporary art and member of the MMFA's Decorative Arts and Design Acquisition Committee since January 2010, Mr. Dell'Aniello donated several important artworks to the Museum, along with his partner, J. Serge Sasseville.

contemporary art and member of the MMFA extends its sincere condolences MMFA's Decorative Arts and Design and support to his partner and his family Acquisition Committee since January and friends.

^{1.} "Art's Most Popular: exhibition and museum visitor figures 2018", The Art Newspaper, April 2019.

DARING AND ENGAGED:

The MMFA's leadership lauded across canada and internationally

This year, the MMFA once again distinguished itself for its complex and ambitious exhibition productions that it exported abroad – notably, with the Australian premiere of *Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor* and the three-stop tour of *Napoleon: Art and Court Life in the Imperial Palace* in the U.S. and France. To top it off, the Museum was praised far and wide as a trailblazing and engaged leader. All this was achieved in a balanced budget that is two-thirds self-financed: a continual challenge. Below is an overview of our committed actions, successes and firsts.

I wish to thank the indispensable people who bring this vision to life: our extraordinary teams at the MMFA and its Foundation, our steadfast volunteers, our invaluable collaborators and partners, our generous donors and patrons, our dear friends and, of course, our diverse audiences.

CHAGALL, DAVID AND CAILLEBOTTE: FOR EACH PAINTING A VICTORY, IN QUEBEC AND CANADA

We waged three media and legal battles, which generated a lot of ink in Canada and around the world, in order to keep three paintings within Quebec's and Canada's cultural heritage. The first embroilment concerned the National Gallery of Canada's (NGC) intention to auction off its Marc Chagall masterpiece, *The Eiffel Tower* (1929). The somewhat secretive and hasty departure of this painting from a public collection triggered a massive outcry among the Jewish community as well as art lovers and museum professionals, more broadly. The scandal revealed the public's affection for this major artist, which was also strongly evidenced in our exhibition *Chagall: Colour and Music*. We led an intense fight to keep this painting in the country. Backed by our curators and numerous friends, including notably Chagall's granddaughters, Meret and Bella Meyer, we prevailed.

In the course of this controversy, we were surprised to learn that the disposition was part of a strategy to raise funds to purchase a rare Jacques-Louis David painting, *Saint Jerome Hears the Trumpet of the Last Judgment* (1779), which belonged to the civil corporation of the parish of Notre-Dame de Québec. Meanwhile, this canvas had also been offered for sale to the Musée de la civilisation du Québec (MCQ), the depository of the Cramail sisters' bequest, and the MMFA, where the painting has been on display in our Pavilion for Peace since 2016. Together, the MCQ and MMFA wanted to buy back this work steeped in Quebec history by teaming up with the National Gallery, but this offer was flatly refused. In this "David vs. Goliath" battle (so termed by certain media organizations), ethical issues of heritage preservation and professional collaboration played in our favour, as our joint proposal with the MCQ led Marie Montpetit, Minister of Culture and Communications, to classify the work as an object of cultural heritage on April 23, 2018.

The MMFA acted quickly, effectively and altruistically. We are proud to have played a part in keeping the Chagall at the National Gallery of Art, the David in Quebec and Gustave Caillebotte's Blue Irises at the Art Gallery of Ontario. This French Impressionist painting was blocked from being exported by the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board (CCPERB), a ban that was later annulled by the decision of Judge Manson. In fact, the June 12, 2018, Federal Court ruling in the case of the Heffel Auction House validated a restrictive definition of a work of "national importance"; specifically, that it must be strictly Canadian or be central to Canadian heritage. This decision gravely threatened international donations of artworks and, moreover, was completely at odds with museums' philosophical mission in a country that promotes multiculturalism and immigration. We took a public stance by coordinating an open letter to the minister that was published in French and English dailies in order to alert the public. Our leadership brought about a reversal of the Manson decision in an epic legal battle. As the principal trustee, the MMFA assembled approximately 10 museum institutions across Canada to launch an appeal, backed by law firm Sarrazin+Plourde. The Federal Court of Appeal validated the role and authority of the CCPERB on April 16, 2019, a move we were profoundly grateful for. In winning the case, together with the unprecedented action of Canadian museums, we successfully defended the universality of our missions and collections.

This achievement is owed to the remarkable internal and external teamwork of our legal counsel, in particular François Le Moine, our partners (Canadian Art Museum Directors' Association, the Art Gallery of Ontario and the other signatories) and, of course, the Honourable Serge Joyal, who offered his sage advice.

A DECOLONIALIZED, INTERCULTURAL AND INCLUSIVE APPROACH IN THE TIME OF *SLĀV* AND *KANATA*

At a time when the social climate is often polarized between positions that are not communicating with each other, and when minorities are asserting their voices, we want to instill a program that prompts intercultural dialogue.

Presented under the title "Primitive Picasso" (a controversial term, therefore possessing an etymology ripe for contextualization), this exhibition project spoke to me as an exercise of reflection in anticipation of the future opening of the Wing for the Arts of One World.

We gave the Montreal version the name From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present in order to tell a story of decolonization that took place over the course of a century – Picasso's century. This period unfolded like a book, in which the emancipation of an entire continent told of the liberation of new perceptions, appropriations and reappropriations. How did an ethnographic object come to be an aesthetic object? How did this process of "decolonization of our gaze" gradually play out from the last century to the present? The Montreal presentation related the story of the "museum of the Other," a legacy of a colonial world redefined in the current globalized world. It took a critical look at the evolution of mentalities and views, and ended on the fractured atlas of the old worlds, reflecting the reality of today's "glocal" civilization. To promote a transcultural perspective, throughout the exhibition I wove in the narratives expressed in works by contemporary artists from Africa or of African descent, many of which have been acquired for the collection. The borders that previously delineated modernity's various narratives have today become blurred, as artists of the world assert their transnational identities. Cultural Eurocentrism begs revisiting in an art history that must reinvent itself.

With Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art, a Royal Ontario Museum production, I wanted to round out the above experience by reinforcing an understanding of Afro-Canadian cultural diversity, adding Quebec artists who, surprisingly, were not part of the Toronto selection. The exhibition presented a variety of perspectives on our long and complex shared histories, thus enriching our common aesthetic imagination. The decontextualized gaze as well as the unifying, inclusive and constructive approach we put forth – widely lauded in the media³ – was also greatly appreciated by our colleagues of the Association of Art Museum Curators, who gathered at the MMFA for their annual conference.

Lastly, the performance video by Kent Monkman in collaboration with Jean Paul Gaultier, Another Feather in Her Bonnet, was an act of reconciliation and intercultural respect. While the issue of appropriation of Indigenous culture in art and fashion is nothing new, considerable gains have been made in the debate. We invited Monkman to create this performance piece with the couturier to reappropriate a headdress. With the intent of tearing down the impasses of indifference on one side and self-censorship on the other, I wanted to imagine a constructive and creative "third path," a gesture of friendship taking the form of a dialogue between the two artists. As debates over cultural appropriation waged in the news over Kanata, this example of reconciliation provided positive food for thought. Meanwhile, I am proud to say, we have established a long-term partnership with the team of the Avataq Cultural Institute to promote Inuit art and culture, thereby creating a context for intercultural and educational exchanges and strengthening our ties with experts and communities.

In addition to these projects, which have seen us enrich our collections in advance of the inauguration of the Wing for the Arts of One World – made possible by Stephan Crétier and Stéphany Maillery, two new major donors to the Museum – we expanded our relationships with Montreal's diverse communities



NATHALIE BONDIL

Director General and Chief Curator

Photo Max Abadian



Nathalie Bondil and Philippe Couillard, former Prime Minister of Quebec, in front of *Saint Jerome* by Jacques-Louis David.



Michaëlle Jean, former Governor Genera of Canada, speaks at the Power of the Arts National Forum at the MMFA in February 2018. Photo Antoine Coallier



André-Philippe Côté Le Soleil, April 2018 [Mélanie Joly: I've always loved Chagall! Nathalie Bondil: the Chagall... it's the other painting Mrs. Joly!]



Bado
Le Droit, April 2018
[The Chagall stays in Ottawa. Marc Mayer
I heard the trumpet of the
last judgement]



Gustave Calliebotte (1846-1894, ITIS bleus, jardin du Petit Gennevilliers, 1892, oil on canvas, 55.2 x 46.4 cm. Art Gallery of Ontario, purchase, with funds by exchange from the R. Fraser Elliott Estate and the Bequest of F.W.G. Fitzgerald. Purchased with the assistance of a Moveable Cultural Property grant accorded by the Department of Canadian Heritage under the terms of the Cultural Property Export and Import Act, 2019. 2019/2268 © Art Gallery of Ontario

(for example, The Power of the Arts National Forum, from February 16 to 18, 2018, organized by the Michaëlle Jean Foundation). We also presented the exhibition *Connections: Our Artistic Diversity Dialogues with our Collections*, in which artists of diverse backgrounds from across Canada were commissioned to produce seven works, thanks to the support of the Canada Council for the Arts, under its New Chapter Program. On a similar positive note, artist Leila Zelli won the 2019 Impressions Residency: a pilot project that, since its creation by the Conseil des arts de Montréal and the MMFA, has served as a launch pad for several emerging artists from diverse cultures as well as from First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities: Jobena Petonoquot, Ari Bayuaji, Pansee Atta, Naghmeh Sharifi and Karen Tam. Interculturalism favours exchange and coming together, as we have seen in our collections. In the context of our increasingly intermingled society, the Museum is a phenomenal diplomatic tool for intercultural dialogue.

In order to bring this future project to life – that of a cultural metropolis for the new century – let us all take a broad-minded view – intercultural rather than multicultural – to construct different narratives from a spirit of co-creation with a wide spectrum of curators, stakeholders, artists and professionals in the field, to whom I owe a profound debt of gratitude.

THE BIRTH OF A NEW DISCIPLINE: MUSEUM THERAPY MMFA RECOGNIZED FOR ITS INNOVATIONS IN HEALTH AND WELLNESS

I am convinced that, in the 21st century, culture will be what physical activity was for health in the 20th century. Cultural experiences will enhance wellness, just as engaging in sports contributes to fitness. For those who are sceptical, recall that just a century ago, sport was thought to deform the body and hamper women's fertility. Discussions about the effects of art on health are often restricted to the context of art therapy, a psychosocial approach that helps patients express themselves through art. However, beyond this practice, art and cultural venues have a medical utility, as well as a tangible impact on health, the healing process and well-being. Supported by research, the benefits of these transdisciplinary actions are now recognized by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) (2018) and the World Health Organization for Europe (2019): relieves symptoms associated with medical treatments; has positive effects on anxiety; reduces sedative use in children; improves mobility, and the list goes on... The arts are a vital component of the healing ecosystem.

Combining science and health together with the field of art, and encouraging an interdisciplinary dialogue were the core goals of the Art, Health and Well-being Symposium presented by the MMFA and UQAM on November 9, 2018. Such considerations demanded a bold, multifaceted and holistic approach. Incidentally, the MMFA stands apart in its development of close partnerships with universities and hospitals, in an effort to dream up new treatment practices for eating disorders, geriatric issues, mental illness, Alzheimer's disease, recovery and others. As the first museum to have an in-house art therapist, we work with physicians on in situ pilot projects.

Formed in January 2017, our Art and Health Committee is unique. Presided by Rémi Quirion, Quebec's Chief Scientist and member of our Board of Trustees, it is notably composed of scientists and health professionals. The Committee is currently overseeing a dozen or so clinical pilot studies being conducted in the MMFA's Michel de la Chenelière International Atelier for Education and Art Therapy. Key among them was a study completed by Committee member Dr. Olivier Beauchet on people aged 65 and over. In the context of an aging Quebec population, and with the help of our Foundation and Groupe Sélection, we created a variety of activities for our Thursdays at the Museum seniors' program. This study, initiated by the Museum, the RUISSS McGill Centre for Excellence on Longevity and the Jewish General Hospital, is now being replicated worldwide. Its purpose is to evaluate the benefits of cultural mediation on health in older adults.

With our museum prescription program, physicians can now recommend a visit to the MMFA. We are extremely proud of this visionary pilot project that was realized in partnership with the Médecins francophones du Canada. Launched on November 1, 2018, this art

therapy initiative garnered widespread media coverage: the October announcement quickly spread around the globe.

A heartfelt thank you to the Education and Wellness team as well as to our many partners, volunteers and employees who make such advancements possible. We can safely say that, in its spirit of innovation and engagement, the Museum lives up to the praise it receives.

THE MMFA CITED AS EXEMPLARY MODEL IN THE OECD AND ICOM'S GUIDE, CULTURE AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT: MAXIMISING THE IMPACT. GUIDE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, COMMUNITIES AND MUSEUMS

In collaboration with the International Council of Museums (ICOM), the European Commission and UNESCO, the OECD launched this guide in December 2018 at the international conference titled Unleashing the Transformative Power of Culture and Creativity for Local Development. Various studies commissioned by the OECD on the roles played by international museums in local development that were conducted in 2017-2018 served as the basis for this guide. Among them was a study on the MMFA led by Lucie K. Morisset, Canada Research Chair on Urban Heritage and professor at UQAM, and coauthored by Laurent Sauvage and Myriam Joannette, doctoral candidates in Urban Studies at UQAM. *Culture and Local Development: Maximising the Impact* underscores the pioneering role played by the Museum. Invited as panellists for the launch of the Guide, Lucie K. Morisset and I were amazed to discover that the MMFA – the only Canadian institution featured in the publication – was used in 5 of the 16 international case studies.

The OECD's and ICOM's recognition of the exemplary actions stemming from our humanist, innovative and inclusive vision – and of the MMFA as a catalyst for social progress – marks a turning point. This remarkable validation from two major international economic and cultural institutions will enable us to disseminate our message ever farther, so as to strengthen the role of culture and expand the definition of trailblazing museums, like the MMFA, that are fostering greater inclusion and wellness.

Many thanks to everyone!

3. Among others, Fabrice Vil, "SLĀV," *Le Devoir*, June 29, 2018.

Note that, with a handsome publicly funded acquisition budget (\$8M/year), the NGC had ample means to purchase the David without selling the Chagall. Meanwhile, with the MCQ having almost no such budget and the MMFA raising about \$1M/year from private donors, a fundraising campaign and provincial assistance were necessary.

² Catherine Lalonde, "Un Chagall contre un David et deux églises," Le Devoir, April 12, 2018.

REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION



MATHIEU LAPERLE
Director of Administration

Over the past two years, the Administration has undertaken a major shift in governance and the modernization of its management tools. Our team is made up of six key departments: Finance, Accounting and Purchasing; Grants Management; Buildings, Equipment and Maintenance Services; Human Resources; Security; and IT Services. While rarely in the spotlight, these services are essential. Through unwavering commitment, their members ensure the smooth running of the MMFA and the achievement of its objectives.

The Museum's 2018-2019 operating budget stands at close to \$37 million, 46% of which is provided in grants by our public partners, mainly the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications. Membership and ticket revenues account for 24% of the operating budget, while private partners, most notably the Foundation, contribute another 20%. Finally, 10% comes from related activities, in particular the Museum Boutique and Bookstore.

Fiscal 2018-2019 was a pivotal year for our division. An in-depth analysis and reflection led to a major revision of our practices and processes, specifically by means of investments in the asset maintenance program, the establishment of a Human Resources department and the implementation of a new information management system (IMS).

Since 2016, the MMFA has been granted \$7.5 million from the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications for major renovations to maintain the Museum's assets. Investments were strategically allocated to public and non-public spaces, security and IT.

The appointment of the first Head of Human Resources, Talent Management and Organizational Development, Catherine Tremblay, allowed us to improve our practices and optimize our processes. In collaboration with managers, a schedule and timesheet management software application was deployed in all departments requiring the preparation of such documents. This new tool saves us time and

provides employees with an instantaneous, collaborative online platform. Recruitment was high on the agenda this year, and interview guides, coaching and new processes facilitated the hiring of new talent, as did the redesign of the Careers page on our website.

In the spirit of collaboration, a new intranet was launched to facilitate internal communication. The goal of this completely redesigned site is to share the Museum's news with all employees and give them access to a wide range of practical tools and resources, including announcements of new employees, the MMFA's work environment policies, the list of benefits and the most frequently used forms.

Several training courses were offered during the year. Special emphasis was placed on preventing harassment in the workplace, with presentations given to all employees and workshops for managers. This initiative was backed by the creation of a statement on workplace harassment prevention.

To increase the efficiency of its business processes and meet future financial challenges, the Museum acquired a new financial management system through the asset maintenance program. Our biggest project this year consisted in developing and rolling out this software. More than 25 employees of the MMFA and its Foundation helped us identify various needs. The budget and deadline were met despite many tasks that had to be completed in a short period of time, and the software was launched on January 1, 2019. This solution will help the Museum eliminate the handling and printing of more than 10,000 invoices each year.

I am extremely proud of the entire Museum staff, who rolled up their sleeves, rose to the challenge and undertook all this year's projects with such enthusiasm and commitment.



Sculptor Mattiusi Iyaituk, 2019. Photo Robert Fréchette, Puvirnituq



Left to right: Michel de la Chenellère, Vice-President, MMFA; Robert Fréchette, Director General, Avataq Cultural Institute; Nathalie Bondil, Director General and Chief Curator, MMFA; Josepi Padlayat, President, Avataq Cultural Institute. Photo Pierre Lonqtin

THE AVATAQ CULTURAL INSTITUTE - SIGNATURE OF A LONG-TERM PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MMFA

An important collaboration agreement was reached with the Avataq Cultural Institute this year in view of promoting Inuit art and culture and forging a long-term partnership. Under the agreement, the institute will move into MMFA spaces on Crescent Street. Founded in 1980, Avataq is headquartered in Inukjuak. The organization is a leader in Nunavik Inuit culture and an authority in the field, both in Canada and abroad. Its mission is to protect and promote the Inuit language and culture so that future generations can benefit from the rich tradition inherited from their ancestors and passed down by the elders. We are thrilled to welcome the Avataq team into our museum complex!





DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS' REPORT

COMMUNITY VISIBILITY STRONGER THAN EVER

Beyond the promotion of major exhibitions, the Communications team develops strategies to maintain and build on the Museum's strong profile in the community. Our institution's engagement – rooted in humanism, inclusion and innovation – was demonstrated in our third consecutive participation in the annual Montréal Pride Festival and our offer of free public access to our collections every first Sunday of the month as well as during the holiday season and spring break.

In March 2018, the MMFA also introduced a single fee for visiting its major exhibitions, discovery exhibitions and all of its collections spread throughout five pavilions. **Visitors 20 and under can now explore the entire Museum for free.**

A major player in Montreal's tourism industry, the **MMFA** is the largest museum attraction in the city, generating more visits than any other local museum or cultural organization.

"COVER UP THAT BOSOM, WHICH I CAN'T ENDURE TO LOOK ON."

Knowing Facebook's popularity, the Museum makes use of the powerful platform as a promotional tool. Last summer, to everyone's surprise, the social networking giant blocked an ad for the exhibition *From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present* featuring the famous painting *Women at Their Toilette*. In the eyes of company representatives, this masterpiece of modern art, which has been exhibited in the world's leading cultural institutions, was "too risqué" to be shown to the public. This act of censorship was not only exercised by Facebook's automated algorithm system, but also by its committee responsible for reviewing decisions that have been challenged. Fortunately, after discussions, the officials changed their minds and promised to revisit their policy on artworks. Meanwhile, the story captured worldwide attention.

THE MONTREAL HONEY OF FINE ARTS

Some 100,000 bees contributed to the greening of the neighbourhood thanks to two urban beehives installed in 2018 on an outdoor terrace on the second floor of the Michal and Renata Hornstein Pavilion for Peace. The bees pollinated an approximately 5 km radius around the Museum. The aim of the project, designed in collaboration with the social enterprise Alvéole, is to protect these precious insects, whose decline is a serious cause for concern around the world. Incidentally, our delicious fine art honey was all the rage. The resulting 300 pots

sold in no time at the Museum Boutique and Bookstore! All proceeds went to the Art Hive

THE MMFA CELEBRATES DIVERSITY AND TOGETHERNESS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MONTRÉAL PRIDE FESTIVAL

Joining Montreal's Pride parade for the third year in a row, the MMFA presented a vibrant living adaptation of the installation *Blue Stick Garden* by landscape artist Claude Cormier. Participants in this remarkable artistic procession marched to the rhythm and music of DJ Tatie au Miel.

MOVING DUNES

For a seventh consecutive year, Du Musée Avenue was transformed into a pedestrian street to house a large-scale interactive public art installation. Designed by NÓS Architectes, *Moving Dunes* was inspired by the exhibition *From Africa to the Americas*. The work transported visitors to the heart of an off-kilter abstract geometric landscape. On June 20, 2018, musician **Pierre Kwenders** and his guests gave an exciting performance at an event that also featured dancing and aperitifs.

Through its ephemeral installations and musical performances, Du Musée Avenue has over the years become a favourite gathering place for Montreal residents and tourists.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our entire Communications team, whose sole objective is to promote and expand the visibility of the Museum in all its many facets.

CINÉMA DU MUSÉE

In September 2018, the Museum successfully inaugurated the Cinéma du Musée with the screening of Geneviève Dulude-DeCelles' feature-length film *Une colonie* (Grand Prize at the Québec City Film Festival). An anonymous donation of \$200,000 for renovations and the procurement of theatre equipment as well as an additional investment from the Museum for infrastructure (security, emergency exits, plumbing and electricity) gave rise to enhancements in both the venue, whose producer and patron is Denise Robert, and the cinematic offering. Cinéma du Musée is the second largest independent theatre in Montreal, with seating for close to 300. It will be run by an independent NPO established for this purpose, with equal representation from the MMFA and its partner.

At a time when we are decrying the lack of author's films, here is a new movie theatre dedicated entirely to the genre, set to open its doors at the end of the month. Located in the heart of the Golden Square Mile, Cinéma du Musée will also be the only theatre in the city's west end to offer a program that's geared to a French-speaking audience.

LA PRESSE, Montreal

We're talking first-class cinema.

It will be the only independent theatre west of Saint-Laurent.

ICI RADIO-CANADA PREMIÈRE



PASCALE CHASSÉ
Director of Communications
Photo Jean-François Brière



A Canadian museum whose ads featuring Picasso nudes were rejected by Facebook says it is pleased the social media giant is reviewing its nudity policy.

BBC.com

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts got the prudish social media giant to back down. After removing the photos of certain [Picasso] canvases, [Facebook] announced it would review its site moderation criteria to allow artistic nudes. At last.

LEFIGARO.FR

ATTHE MUSEUM 1,046,120 VISITORS

OUTSIDE ITS WALLS

Montrealers have a new

Gazette columnist T'Cha

THE MONTREAL GAZETTE

cinema that Montreal

Dunlevy says will be

a downtown hub for

independent film.

- 1st in Quebec
- 2nd in Canada
- 15th in North America
- 76th in the world

DIGITAL PLATFORMS

Website	2,075,435	visitors
Mobile app	22,037	users
Facebook	140,972	followers
Instagram	55,065	followers
Twitter	130,797	followers
LinkedIn	7,049	followers
YouTube	1,708	followers

^{1.} English translation of a line from the Molière play *Tartuffe, "Cachez ce sein que je ne saurais voir!"*























FROM AFRICA TO THE AMERICAS FACE-TO-FACE PICASSO, PAST AND PRESENT

May 12 - September 16, 2018

With this major exhibition, the MMFA undauntedly took on the challenge of telling the story of the "decolonization of the colonial gaze," based on Pablo Picasso's (1881-1973) art to that of today. The exhibition was first shown in 2017 at the Musée du quai Branly – Jacques Chirac under the title *Picasso Primitif*. The Museum then adapted it by broadening the perspective and incorporating works by contemporary artists. Seen by 183,173 visitors, *From Africa to the Americas* looked at how our views of the arts of Africa, Oceania and the Americas have transformed from the end of the 19th century to the present day. Following milestones in the life of Pablo Picasso and in history, it explored the close relationship between the Spanish master and these arts, highlighting evolving attitudes.

From Africa to the Americas brought together over 300 works and documents, including close to a hundred by Picasso – paintings, sculptures, ceramics and works on paper – that attest to the important influence of Africa and Oceania on his oeuvre. A vast collection of documents, objects and photographs, together with works from the artist's personal collection, further demonstrate the lifelong inspiration these arts held for Picasso. Finally, the exhibition incorporated some outstanding loans from the Redpath Museum and the Lune Rouge Collection.

MMFA Curator Nathalie Bondil sought to create disruptive juxtapositions by adding works by leading artists from the African and Afro-American contemporary art scene in order to challenge this post-colonialist heritage: Omar Ba, Edson Chagas, Omar Victor Diop, Theo Eshetu, Samuel Fosso, Romuald Hazoumè, Masimba Hwati, Moridja Kitenge Banza, Mohau Modisakeng, Zanele Muholi, Zina Saro-Wiwa, Yinka Shonibare (MBE), Mickalene Thomas and Kehinde Wiley. Several of their creations have since entered the Museum's permanent collection. At every step of the exhibition, these contemporary artists provided a counterpoint to Picasso, thus expanding the points of view on an international history of art that bears rethinking. The public then continued their visit with the exhibition *Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art* (see p. 12).

This exhibition was organized by the Musée du quai Branly – Jacques Chirac, in collaboration with the Musée national Picasso-Paris, and adapted by the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. It was curated by Yves Le Fur,



© Estate of Picasso / SOCAN (2019)

Director of the Department of Heritage and Collections, Musée du quai Branly – Jacques Chirac. The Montreal adaptation was curated by Nathalie Bondil, Director General and Chief Curator, MMFA, assisted by Erell Hubert, Curator of Pre-Columbian Art, MMFA. Thanks are also owed to several collaborators: Shelley Ruth Butler, cultural anthropologist, Institute for the Study of Canada, McGill University; Mary-Dailey Desmarais, Curator of International Modern and Contemporary Art, MMFA; Dominique Fontaine, independent curator and Founding Director of aPOSteRIORi; Jacques Germain, art dealer and Africanist; James Oscar, art critic; and Constantine Petridis, Chair and Curator of African Art and Indian Art of the Americas, Art Institute of Chicago. The exhibition design was realized by Sandra Gagné, Head of Exhibitions Production, MMFA.

This exhibition was made possible thanks to the generous support of Stephan Crétier and Stéphany Maillery, in collaboration with Tourisme Montréal. The educational activity space of this exhibition received valuable backing from Desjardins. The Museum acknowledges the vital contribution of Air Canada, the MMFA's Angel Circle and media partners Bell, *La Presse* and the *Montreal Gazette*. The exhibition also received the support of the Department of Canadian Heritage through the Canada Travelling Exhibitions Indemnification Program.

An exhibition I thoroughly recommend seeing.

– Dany Laferrière, writer

Photos Denis Farley

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An exhibition on the links between Picasso and the "primitive" arts, yet emphasizing a "decolonization of the gaze" ... and also presenting the works of contemporary Black Canadian artists.

LE MONDE, Paris

The MMFA offers up a brilliant exhibition on Picasso and our relationship with the so-called "primitive" arts. ... Here is an exhibition that provides an intelligent rereading of art history.

LE DEVOIR, Montreal

From Africa to the Americas ... is not another Picasso retrospective. Rather, Picasso's work is situated amid the artefacts that so significantly shaped his vision, giving it a kind of context that many visitors may not have previously considered.

CULTURE TRIP, New York

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' [exhibition] stands out for the originality of its subject matter. ... Its design creates visual surprises that are both stimulating and audacious. ... Beyond its educational effect and undeniable aesthetic appeal ... the exhibition has the feel of a manifesto.

L'OBJET D'ART, Paris

A FIRST-CLASS EXHIBITION
The Picasso-themed exhibition
is first-rate, in terms of both the
visual offering and the depth of
its subject treatment. ... Nathalie
Bondil, the Museum's Director
General and Chief Curator, has
added a component to the Paris
exhibition that counterbalances
the narrative with works by
contemporary African artists. ...
The exhibition is a refreshing
and informative journey into
the interwoven world of art
and human histories.

LA PRESSE, Montreal

Appropriation and reappropriation are the themes examined at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. ... The tone is set right from the beginning of the Montreal exhibition. It opens with three landmark works from the contemporary African scene that deal with slavery.

ART ABSOLUMENT, Paris

It's a show in which several narratives overlap There's the tale of the great European painter, plundering and transforming images delivered to him by an actual plundering empire. There's the newer story of artists from former colonies who subvert the iconography of "the primitive," and reappropriate aspects of European art history. There's also a tale of art institutions evolving away from the notion that art is primarily what Europeans make, and that the cultural productions of other peoples are ethnological.

THE GLOBE AND MAIL, Toronto

MONTREAL FACE-TO-FACE WITH PICASSO The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts presents an exhibition developed by the Musée du quai Branly ... on the sensitive topic of the relationship between Pablo Picasso and African art. ... Nathalie Bondil, the MMFA's Director General, has revolutionized the dialogue on the subject.

LE QUOTIDIEN DE L'ART, Paris

The exhibition is punctuated with contemporary counterpoints by artists mainly based in the African continent or forming its diaspora. The fine, well-articulated choices create a portrait of a community no longer in search of an identity, but in the process of restoring its core identities: those of roots and origins, a sort of reappropriation of its African codes.

ESPACE, Montreal







HERE WE ARE HERE BLACK CANADIAN CONTEMPORARY ART

May 12 - September 16, 2018

Here We Are Here, presented alongside the exhibition From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present, invited visitors to continue their reflection on cultural diversity. Developed by the Royal Ontario Museum, the exhibition challenged preconceived notions of Blackness in Canada through the work of eight contemporary artists - Sandra Brewster, Sylvia D. Hamilton, Chantal Gibson, Bushra Junaid, Charmaine Lurch, Esmaa Mohamoud, Michèle Pearson Clarke and Gordon Shadrach – as well as that of Montreal artists Eddy Firmin called Ano, Manuel Mathieu and Shanna Strauss, which the MMFA added for its presentation. Together, they expressed a multitude of viewpoints on the place of Canadians of African descent, countering the long-standing perception of Blacks being on the margins of Canada's history. Though this country is widely celebrated as a triumph of cultural diversity, the predominant narrative reduces the Black Canadian experience to one of the eternal immigrant or newcomer. These artists questioned this view by exposing the traces of their communities' long historical presence in Canada. The multiple voices and sensitivities presented disrupted simplistic and comforting narratives, while affirming the long-standing contribution of Black people to the fabric of Canada.

"These talented artists created works that pay tribute to their forebears; each of them revisited their own history in relating to their Montreal reality. Innovation married seamlessly with tradition in Black Canadian experience, and they did so poetically," said Geneviève Goyer-Ouimette, curator of the Montreal presentation, noting that our city's contemporary art scene is made up of a plurality of creators, many of whom are of African descent.

An exhibition developed by the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, and adapted by the MMFA for the Montreal presentation. It was curated by Silvia Forni, Curator of African Arts and Culture, ROM, Julie Crooks, Assistant Curator, Art Gallery of Ontario, and Dominique Fontaine, independent curator. Geneviève Goyer-Ouimette, Gail and Stephen A. Jarislowsky Curator of Quebec and Canadian Contemporary Art (from 1945 to today), MMFA, curated the Montreal component. The exhibition was presented in Montreal thanks to the generous support of Stephan Crétier and Stéphany Maillery. The Museum acknowledges the vital contribution of Air Canada, the MMFA's Young Philanthropists' Circle and media partners Bell, La Presse and the Montreal Gazette.



THE MUSEUM BELONGS TO THEM

An educational space designed in collaboration with Youth Fusion and The Woman Power

This space invited visitors to reflect on the notions of representation and otherness through a variety of displays and activities. The installation The Real Demoiselles d'Avignon was a participatory mosaic imagined by The Woman Power collective around Picasso's famous painting. An exhibition was also created by students from the Commission scolaire de Montréal (CSDM), in collaboration with Youth Fusion, on the topic of encounters with alterity. To enrich their exploration, visitors could peruse a selection of books illustrating the MMFA's diverse communities and take part in an elaborate, colourful drawing in collaboration with the artist MALICIOUZ.

their works. They invited visitors to take an empathic view of the

Plurality ... is centre stage in the three exhibition galleries, inviting visitors to appreciate the complexity of the individual stories and experiences in order to counter the reductionist narratives that often feed prejudices. ... The exhibition encourages a truly decentralized perspective, affirming the place of Blacks in the heart of Canadian history and society.

ARTPRESS, Paris

If we had to identify a common thread in the works by the 11 Black Canadian artists featured in Here We Are Here, it would be irony. .. Their art has been selected to remind Museum visitors not only of the artists' enslaved or colonized ancestors but, above all, of the precarious condition Blacks often endure today, even here in their own country.

VIE DES ARTS, Montreal

Here We Are Here provokes thought about the issue of identity without naïve optimism or excessive contrition ... preferring to construct a sharply critical culture, analyzing the political dimension through more intimate aspects and asking profound questions about a Canadian identity pulled between its provincial particularisms, its earliest origins and the contribution brought by its active immigration policy.

ESPACE, Montreal

The joy of the exhibition Here We are Here is found in discovering a variety of artists, with their concerns, unique stories and diverse approaches and challenges.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

Through these unique and visually compelling installations, the artists express a multitude of viewpoints on the place of Canadians of African descent and implore viewers to think differently about the deep-rooted histories and enduring presence of Black Canadians. .. The artworks on display use both current and historical objects that blur the longstanding opinion that the Black community belongs on the edge of Canadian history.

BLOUIN ART INFO, New York

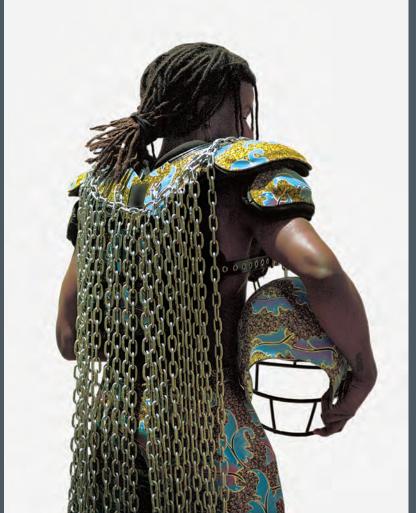
At the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, a powerful exhibition gives the floor to Canadian artists of color. Here We Are: Black Canadian Contemporary Art is an intimate showcase of recent work by artists whose practices explore their respective experiences as Black Canadian residents.

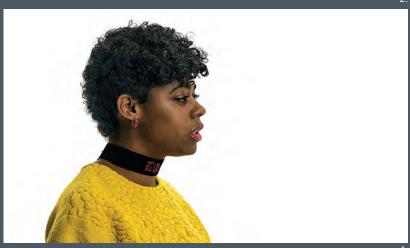
CULTURE TRIP, New York

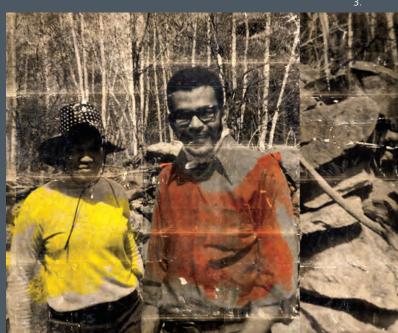
1. Eddy Firmin called Ano (born in 1971), [Étrange danger] 1/3, 2016. Collection of François Dell'Aniello 2. Esmaa Mohamoud, *Untitled* (No Fields), 2018. Courtesy of Georgia Scherman Projects and the artist 3. Shanna Strauss, Memory Keepers, 2017. MMFA, purchase, gift of R. Fournelle 4. Michèle Pearson Clarke (born in 1973), Suck Teeth Compositions (After Rashaad Newsome), 2017 Collection of the artist 5. Sandra Brewster, Hiking Black Creek, 2017. Courtesy of Georgia Scherman Projects and the artist 6. Manuel Mathieu (born in 1986), Self-portrait, 2017. MMFA, purchase, Hélène Couture Fund

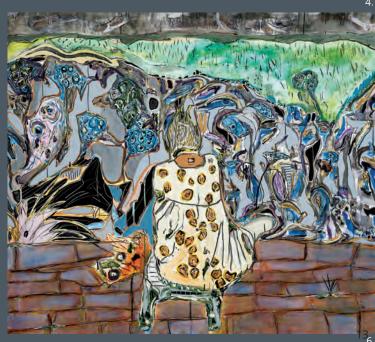












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ALEXANDER CALDER RADICAL INVENTOR

September 21, 2018 - February 24, 2019

"Montreal is home to the most important work of public art in Canada: the monumental sculpture Trois Disques, or as Montrealers affectionately call it, Man, remembering Man and His World. Evoking humanism as did Expo 67 ... this sculpture alludes to humanity's technical progress and efforts, and its aspiration toward a collective harmony. And yet, the life and work of this modern art giant remain underappreciated in Canada." – Nathalie Bondil

This first-ever retrospective of Alexander Calder in Canada and Australia showcased the full scope of the career of the modern artist who set art in motion. The fruit of in-depth research, it shed new light on Calder's work from the perspective of innovation. The exhibition was met with critical success and delighted upwards of 150,000 visitors in Montreal before it journeyed to the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) in Melbourne, Australia, where it will be on view from April 5 to August 4, 2019.

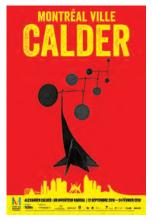
A highly complex exhibition to mount, *Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor* brought together over 150 works (paintings, sculptures, jewellery and graphic works), giving the public an appreciation of the sheer extent of Calder's extraordinarily innovative multidisciplinary practice that went from wire portraits to paintings, to his invention of the mobile and, finally, his monumental sculptures. Over the course of an international career that spanned half a century, this artist exhibited on five continents and worked in an astonishing array of fields, including drawing, sculpture, painting, design and performance art.

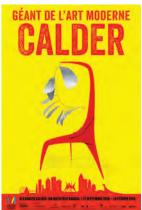
The public had the opportunity to see a great number of works and documents that have rarely or never before been presented and were specially restored for the exhibition. Among them the sculptures

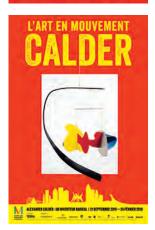
Little Spider (about 1940), on loan from the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., The Brass Family (1929), on loan from the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, Kiki de Montparnasse (II) (1930), on loan from the Centre Pompidou, Paris, White Panel (1936), on loan from the Calder Foundation, and the Red Gongs (1950) mobile, on loan from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. Little-known works crafted by the artist when he was a child were also revealed.

As a radical inventor, Calder not only introduced a new dimension to sculpture but changed the way we experience art in the modern world. Beyond the actual objects on display, the exhibition drew attention to the space they occupy, offering visitors the rare opportunity to observe Calder's works being set in motion. These activations of the mobiles gave a truer representation of the artist's vision for these kinetic works.

The exhibition was developed, organized and circulated by the MMFA in collaboration with the Calder Foundation, to whom we are grateful. The Montreal presentation was curated by Anne Grace, Curator of Modern Art, MMFA, and Elizabeth Hutton Turner, guest curator under the direction of Nathalie Bondil, Director General and Chief Curator, MMFA. The exhibition design was realized by Sandra Gagné, Head of Exhibitions Production, MMFA. The exhibition and its international tour were made possible thanks to the generous support of the Terra Foundation for American Art, Major Benefactor of Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor. The Museum wishes to underline the invaluable contribution of Pembroke and Provencher_Roy Architects. It further acknowledges the vital contribution of Air Canada, the MMFA's Angel Circle and media partners Bell, La Presse and the Montreal Gazette.







A highlight is a monumental canopy display of Calder's striking mobiles; impressively sized hanging sculptures of wire and sheet metal, which surround audiences with hypnotic and boldly coloured moving shapes.

SMS ITALIAN, Melbourne

Legendary sculptor's kinetic creations receive a Canadian retrospective for the first time in Montreal.

THE GLOBE AND MAIL, Toronto

The Museum presents an impressive series of mobiles, some of which are animated once a day. These Momentums enable the public to admire the ingenuity of abstract sculptures, a unique experience.

L'OBJET D'ART, Paris

Alexander Calder's irreverent pieces challenged the very definition of sculpture. He invented the kinetic sculpture, or mobile, and changed the course of art history in the process.

BROADSHEET, Melbourne

As the snow covers the ground outside, a visit to the MMFA to see Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor is almost therapeutic. Like the American artist's mobiles themselves, time gets suspended in the galleries of the airily designed exhibition.

LE DEVOIR, Montréal

A remarkable museum exhibition that sets Calder's art in motion. ... The MMFA's innovative mise en scène fully exploits the artist's conception of time and space.

MONTREAL GAZETTE

Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor aims to reassess this quintessential modernist.

ART IN AMERICA, New York

CALDER FLOATS ON AIR IN MONTREAL This first Canadian retrospective dedicated to Alexander Calder by the MMFA shows the diversity of his art, from paintings to

CONNAISSANCE DES ARTS, Paris

In a luminous gallery at the heart of this exhibition, a selection of [mobiles] of rare finesse create an exceptionally poetic space.

LE JOURNAL DES ARTS, Paris

As well-known as Calder's work may be, it never ceases to enchant and surprise, which the exhibition portrays in perfectly balanced fashion.

L'ŒIL, Paris

A CITY FOR TOGETHERNESS

A creative space for families designed in collaboration with Mere Phantoms

Families were invited to immerse themselves in the imaginary cityscape created by the Montreal collective founded by artists Maya Ersan and Jaimie Robson. The installation was designed as a shadow play and evoked the cities where Alexander Calder left his mark, notably Paris, New York and Montreal. Using materials provided on site and lighting effects, visitors invented their own poetic animation reflecting their city of tomorrow and ideas of living together in harmony.

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THIERRY MUGLER COUTURISSIME

March 2 - September 8, 2019

Following The Fashion World of Jean Paul Gaultier: From the Sidewalk to the Catwalk (2011-2016), the MMFA continued its grand premieres in the field of fashion with *Thierry Mugler: Couturissime*. This first international retrospective of the visionary couturier, director, photographer and perfumer drew 290,455 visitors, making it the sixth-most popular exhibition in the Museum's history.

Highly acclaimed by the international media and public alike, Couturissime traced the oeuvre of a singularly imaginative creator who revolutionized fashion and haute couture with his graphic silhouettes that evoke an elegant, powerful femininity in constant metamorphosis. The exhibition featured some 150 outfits produced between 1977 and 2014 – most of which were restored and exhibited for the first time – as well as numerous stage costumes, videos and unpublished sketches. It was a unique opportunity to admire the couturier's creations up close; works that are on the order of masterpieces, like the *Chimère* collection and his bodysuited fembots inspired by comic books, fauna and science fiction.

The exhibition presented some 100 rare prints by the biggest names in fashion photography, including Guy Bourdin, Dominique Issermann, Pierre et Gilles, Paolo Roversi, Ellen von Unwerth and Helmut Newton, especially. It marked the first time the Helmut Newton Foundation loaned works for an exhibition. Mugler's own photography was also on display.

Conceived as an opera in six acts, the flow of Couturissime revisited Mugler's iconic creations and collaborations in a spectacular gallery design that saw contributions by German artist Philipp Fürhofer and design studio Tord Boontie. The presentation notably showcased Montreal's creativity as well by integrating a digital work by Michel Lemieux and an immersive installation designed by the Oscarwinning special effects studio Rodeo FX. It also highlighted Mugler's many collaborations and productions, such as the music video for *Too* Funky by late singer-songwriter George Michael, the costumes worn in Shakespeare's Macbeth for the Comédie-Française and those in Cirque du Soleil's Zumanity. In addition, the public's eyes were opened to the myriad garments donned by celebrities across the decades, including Cardi B, Beyoncé, David Bowie, Céline Dion, Diane Dufresne, Lady Gaga and Diana Ross.

In tandem, the Museum partnered with various festivals, including Wiggle, Fashion & Design and Pride Montréal, with a view to celebrating diversity and local talent. Couturissime began its international tour in the fall with a first stop in Rotterdam, followed by Munich and Paris, the city where Mugler made his name.

The exhibition was initiated, produced and circulated by the MMFA, in collaboration with the Clarins Group, which restored a number of garments from its archives, and, of course, the Maison Mugler. It was curated by Thierry-Maxime Loriot under the direction of Nathalie Bondil, Director General and Chief Curator, MMFA. The exhibition design was realized by Sandra Gagné, Head of Exhibitions Production, MMFA.

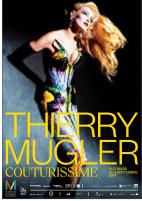
The presentation of *Thierry Mugler: Couturissime* was made possible with the generous support of RBC Royal Bank, in collaboration with Hans Boodt Mannequins, Tourisme Montréal, Audi and official media partner La Presse. The Museum underscores the important contribution of Michel Phaneuf, Holt Renfrew Ogilvy, LaSalle College and the Consulat Général de France à Québec, proud partners of the exhibition, and recognizes the vital contribution of Air Canada, the MMFA's Angel Circle and media partners Bell and the Montreal Gazette.

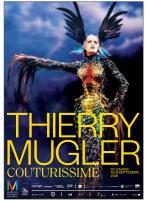


"People have offered to exhibit my work a number of times, but the idea of simply looking back has never interested me. ... Nathalie Bondil and Thierry-Maxime Loriot were the right people, with the right approach, to reinvent the past with innovative staging, eclectic melanges and a new vision of my work.

– Manfred Thierry Mugler

Max Abadian, Manfred Thierry Mugler (Montreal, 2018). © Max Abadian







The designer's first major museum retrospective, Thierry Mugler: Couturissime, ... opens at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

A new retrospective celebrates the creator and his glamorous superheroines

DEUTSCHE WELLE, Berlin

The costumes ... transcend the everyday and literally re-enchant the fashion world.

NUMÉRO, Paris

A must-see exhibition of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts.

RADIO-CANADA INTERNATIONAL

Thierry Mugler finally gets the museum retrospective he deserves.

W MAGAZINE, New York

The exhibition of Thierry Mugler we've all been waiting for.

ELLE MEXICO

One of the year's top exhibitions! VOGUE ESPAÑA

An immersion in Mugler's unbridled fashion and popular culture of the past forty years.

CORRIERE DELLA SERA, Milan

For this first exhibition of the couturier who stepped away from the catwalk, the MMFA ... has presented his creations within a spectacular set design.

LE JOURNAL DES ARTS, Paris

Thierry Mugler deserves to be recognized and applauded as a unique and important player on the fashion stage.

VOGUE INTERNATIONAL

The team has made an adventure of some 150 garments ... [that] might better be described as follies, fantasies and phantasmagoria.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, New York

The magic of Mugler comes to Montreal. NEWSWEEK, New York

A rare glimpse into the creative world of designer Thierry Mugler.

HARPER'S BAZAAR VIETNAM

For over thirty years, Thierry Mugler was the pinnacle of spectacular haute couture.

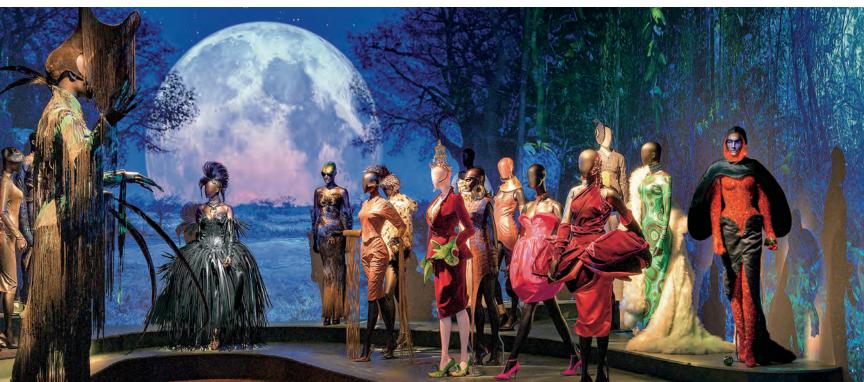
VOGUE POLSKA

The first retrospective dedicated to this fashion genius who continues to inspire the world today.

MADAME FIGARO, Paris

Dominique Issermann, Jerry Hall (Paris, 1997). Thierry Mugler, Les Insectes collection, haute couture spring/summer 1997. © Dominique Issermann Alan Strutt, Yasmin Le Bon, Palladium (London, 1997). La Chimère collection, haute couture fall/winter 1997–1998. © Alan Strutt Patrice Stable, Emma Sjöberg (Paris, 1992). Thierry Mugler, Les Cow-boys collection, prêt-à-porter spring/summer 1992. © Patrice Stable







MONTREAL COUTURE

March 2 - September 8, 2019

Presented alongside *Thierry Mugler: Couturissime*, this exhibition showcased some 30 garments created by established or emerging designers who are shaping Quebec fashion today.

This marked the first time that Quebec couture icons were brought together in a museum. Marie Saint Pierre, the first designer admitted to the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts, has for over three decades been creating clothing with precise, timeless cuts that seamlessly marry style and function. Since 1994, Philippe Dubuc has been reinventing menswear with minimalist, modern lines and setting himself apart with his meticulous finishings and structure. Denis Gagnon hit the Quebec scene by storm at the dawn of the 2000s with his irreverent style and spectacular pieces characterized by a sophisticated use of volume, pleats, leather and zippers. The exhibition also highlighted the work of Helmer Joseph, whose elegant designs draw on his Haitian roots and the expertise he acquired in Paris fashion houses. Finally, Ying Gao, whose work blends the unlikely fellows of fashion, industrial design and robotics, has exhibited her creations in major museums the world over. In her work, she explores the use of new materials, such as medical latex, and interactive sensory technology to imbue her garments with a poetic and participative quality.

Montreal Couture also shone a spotlight on up-and-coming designers. Casting aside societal conventions, the duo Fecal Matter, comprising Hannah Rose Dalton and Steven Raj Bhaskaran, sparked an international craze when they presented their transhumanist-inspired 2018 Spring/Summer collection in London. Marie-Ève Lecavalier became the first Canadian to win the prestigious Chloé Prize at the 33rd edition of

the Hyères International Festival of Fashion and Photography, making a grand debut in the world of high-end and luxury fashion. Koku and Gildas Awuye, the duo behind the label Atelier New Regime, were named Menswear Designer of the Year at the 2018 Canadian Arts & Fashion Awards for their modern, technical streetwear. And who can forget Nathon Kong, who designs custom clothing using 3D technology and by collaborating with artists and community organizations, and MARKANTOINE, who fashions his prêt-à-porter creations in a "gothic-exotic" style.

Montreal photographer Max Abadian, whose work has been featured in the pages of international magazines like *Vogue*, *Elle* and *Vanity Fair*, was commissioned to create the portraits of the 10 designers and collectives in the exhibition (opposite). Videos of the outfits, shot specially for this exhibition by Martin Laporte, complemented the presentation.

The exhibition was designed and produced by the MMFA and curated by Thierry-Maxime Loriot. The exhibition design was realized in collaboration with Catherine Nadeau and Melissa Thompson of Cirque du Soleil, who developed the artistic concept for the 2018 Museum Ball, Nuit Couture. The Museum wishes to underscore the important contribution of LaSalle College and thank the Muses of Montreal Couture, Lucie Bouthillette, Ruby Brown, Natalie Bussière, Isabèle Chevalier, Claude Krynski, Karine Kay Limage, Julia Reitman, Alysia Yip-Hoi and Debbie Zakaib. It further acknowledges the vital support of Air Canada and media partners Bell, La Presse and the Montreal Gazette.





THE SEWING BOX

An educational foray into the world of haute couture in three parts.

Set designers Catherine Nadeau and Melissa Thompson wanted to pay tribute to the work of fashion artisans and creators by putting a face to the names of these talented professionals.

Secondly, to give the public a close-up view of the haute couture aesthetic in its early days, in the 19th century, Theatre School professor Véronique Borboën drew inspiration from the famous painting *October* by James Tissot, which depicts the artist's elegantly dressed muse, Mrs. Newton.

The installation *Designers of Tomorrow* created by LaSalle College presented three creations selected from among its students' collections.

Photos MMFA, Denis Farley

SPOTLIGHT ON QUEBEC CREATORS

While some are already big names in Quebec fashion, like Marie Saint Pierre, Philippe Dubuc and Denis Gagnon, others are stars in their own world (Helmer Joseph, Ying Gao), and still others are rising stars (Fecal Matter, Marie-Eve Lecavalier) or standard-bearers of a new generation (Atelier New Regime, MARKANTOINE, Nathon Kong).

QUÉBEC LE MAG, Montreal

An exhibition that introduces you to 10 Quebec fashion designers. ... Titled Montreal Couture, it presents both well-established and talented emerging designers.

TV5 MONDE

FASHION RENDEZVOUS This exhibition brings together the creations of 10 Quebec designers and collectives, celebrating their talent and audacity.

CLIN D'ŒIL, Montreal

A superb showcase for local designers, both emerging and established

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

A PANOPLY OF CREATIONS BY LOCAL DESIGNERS A colourful tribute to haute couture showcasing Quebec fashion icons and up-and-coming designers

VÉRO MAGAZINE, Montreal

BON APPÉTIT! Contemporary Foodware Designs In Quebec March 24, 2018 – March 24, 2019



The MMFA celebrated the culinary arts and local creativity with the presentation of some 50 objects in its Design Lab that were designed by Quebec creators. Some of them combined beauty with utility, form and function; others redefined the acts of eating and drinking through

experimentation or creative projects. The objects covered everything from grocery baskets to kitchen utensils, to tableware, as well as the raw, the cooked, water and wine – even an edible plate, in keeping with sustainable food practices! Several of these creations have won awards in Quebec and internationally. Bon appétit! paid tribute to multiple generations of designers, from established masters to those now coming to the fore, who, thanks to their expertise, give meaning to such utilitarian objects and promote a better way of living.

This exhibition was organized by the MMFA and curated by Diane Charbonneau, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Decorative Arts and Photography, MMFA.

Inis exhibition celebrates the culinary arts and homegrown creativity with the presentation of some fifty objects designed by Quebec creators. It brings together the accourtements of welcoming people to a table; industrial and artisanal objects that are always attractive.

CANADIAN ART, Toronto

The MMFA displays a selection of intelligently designed objects made by Quebec creators. .. Several of these creations have won awards both in Quebec and internationally.

ARTDAILY.ORG, Mexico and New York

Mario Gagnon for ALTO DESIGN (born in 1953), Proposed Design for Dinnerware and Flatware, 2004.

Atelier New Regime





Ying Gao





Philippe Dubuc





Helmer Joseph





Fecal Matter





Nathon Kong





Denis Gagnon





Marie-Ève Lecavalier





Marie Saint Pierre





MARKANTOINE





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GRAPHIC ARTS

FROM THE HANDS OF THE MASTERS II: Parmigianino to Matisse April 10 - August 12, 2018

As the successor to the 2013 exhibition, From the Hands of the Masters II brought together 55 remarkable drawings from the 16th to the 20th century that were loaned to the Museum by an anonymous Montreal collector. The same individual generously donated a further 20 masterworks by such artists as Delacroix, Greuze, Ingres and Géricault, also presented in the exhibition. Comprising creations by Courbet, Moreau, Degas, Gris, Matisse and Modigliani, among others, this rich selection showcased a vast array of subjects: studies for religious compositions, sensuous female nudes, representations of the Virgin and a

ballerina, male portraits and Japanese warriors engaged in battle. A variety of landscapes – from a wintry 16th-century European village scene to a lush tropical Venezuelan jungle – and still lifes rounded out the ensemble, together with a rare silhouette cut-out of an eagle by Victor Hugo

This exhibition was organized by the MMFA and curated by Hilliard T. Goldfarb, Senior Curator - Collections, and Curator of Old Masters.

EXQUISITE DRAWINGS AT THE MMFA

Thanks to a passionate collector, the MMFA is exhibiting 55 drawings by Old Masters and modern artists. Rare works by some of the great names in art history ... are beautifully presented and complemented by descriptive labels that are so well crafted they inspire visitors to learn more by digging in their smartphones!

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts presents old and modern master drawings from Canada's most important private collection.

ARTDAILY.ORG. Mexico and New York

A striking range of works from 16th-century Italy to 20th-century France. The breadth of the selection reveals the collector's sensitive and profoundly human outlook. It's the perfect exhibition to appreciate the miracles that can be performed with charcoal and graphite!

NIGHTLIFE.CA, Montreal

RESPLENDENT ILLUMINATIONS: Books of Hours from the 13th to the 16th Century in Quebec Collections September 4, 2018 - January 6, 2019

This exhibition was the first-ever presentation of Books of Hours (mainly illuminated manuscripts) held in seven Quebec collections: those of the MMFA, McGill University, the Bibliothèque des arts de l'Université du Québec à Montréal, the Séminaire de Saint-Sulpice, the Archives of the Jesuits of Canada, Concordia University and the Musée de l'Amérique francophone. The fruit of intense research, Resplendent Illuminations offered the public a rare opportunity to admire 59 works from the European heritage of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance that have since become an integral part of our own religious and cultural heritage. Visitors were amazed by the sheer number of Books of

The exhibition presents the results of a long-term research project undertaken by a team of librarians and literature specialists, with extensive input from expert art historians along the way.

THE BURLINGTON MAGAZINE, London

MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS ILLUMINATES MEDIEVAL BOOKS OF HOURS

A rare opportunity for a comprehensive, centuries-spanning appreciation of worshippers' elaborately illustrated companions.

MONTREAL GAZETTE

Hours that have existed in Quebec for over two centuries as well as to learn of women's contribution to the production of these precious works.

The exhibition was organized by the MMFA in collaboration with UQAM and McGill University. It was curated by Brenda Dunn-Lardeau, Associate Professor, Department of Literary Studies, UQAM, Hilliard T. Goldfarb, Senior Curator - Collections, and Curator of Old Masters, MMFA, and Richard Virr, Chief Curator (retired), Rare Books and Special Collections, McGill University.

EXTRAORDINARY BOOKS OF HOURS Painstakingly illuminated, Books of Hours ... are works of art. The exhibition Resplendent Illuminations ... presents a selection of them, brought back at long last from oblivion.

LE DEVOIR, Montreal

RESPLENDENT ILLUMINATIONS AT THE MMFA: THE GLORIOUS HOURS Tiny treasures from seven collections, including some illustrations that were created in the Middle Ages

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

A MODEL IN THE STUDIO, MONTREAL 1880-1950: New Acquisitions **January 20 - May 26, 2019**

A Model in the Studio raised the veil on a little-known pivotal moment in the academic and artistic history of Montreal and the Museum, which was formerly the home to a school of art. Most of the 70 selected works had never before been shown or were recent acquisitions, and they bore witness to the importance of an artistic and educational process that was formerly fundamental to creating human body representations: the study of the live model. Be it in a quick sketch or a completed drawing, something of the artist's personality and originality is always revealed in the lines of the models depicted. Several pochades and sculptures were presented in addition to the many graphic works.

All were executed between the late 19th and mid-20th century by some 30 artists who worked in Montreal, including Prudence Heward, Louis Archambault, Jori Smith, Ernest Aubin, Lilias Torrance Newton, Louis-Philippe Hébert, John Lyman, Alfred Laliberté, Ozias Leduc, Mabel May and Rita Mount.

The exhibition was organized by the MMFA and curated by Jacques Des Rochers, Curator of Quebec and Canadian Art (before 1945), MMFA.

For the first time, the MMFA presents ... small treasures of graphic art from its collection. A strong exhibition on female and male nude representations created in Montreal ... that explores, with finesse and without prejudice, the humanity in depictions of the body.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

A Model in the Studio ... [features] drawings, sketches and sculptures of live models in various stages of undress rendered between 1880 and 1950 by more than 30 artists with ties to the city. The exhibit ... tracks the development of this academic and modernist discipline in Montreal, revealing insights about each artist with works that represent different phases of the creative process.

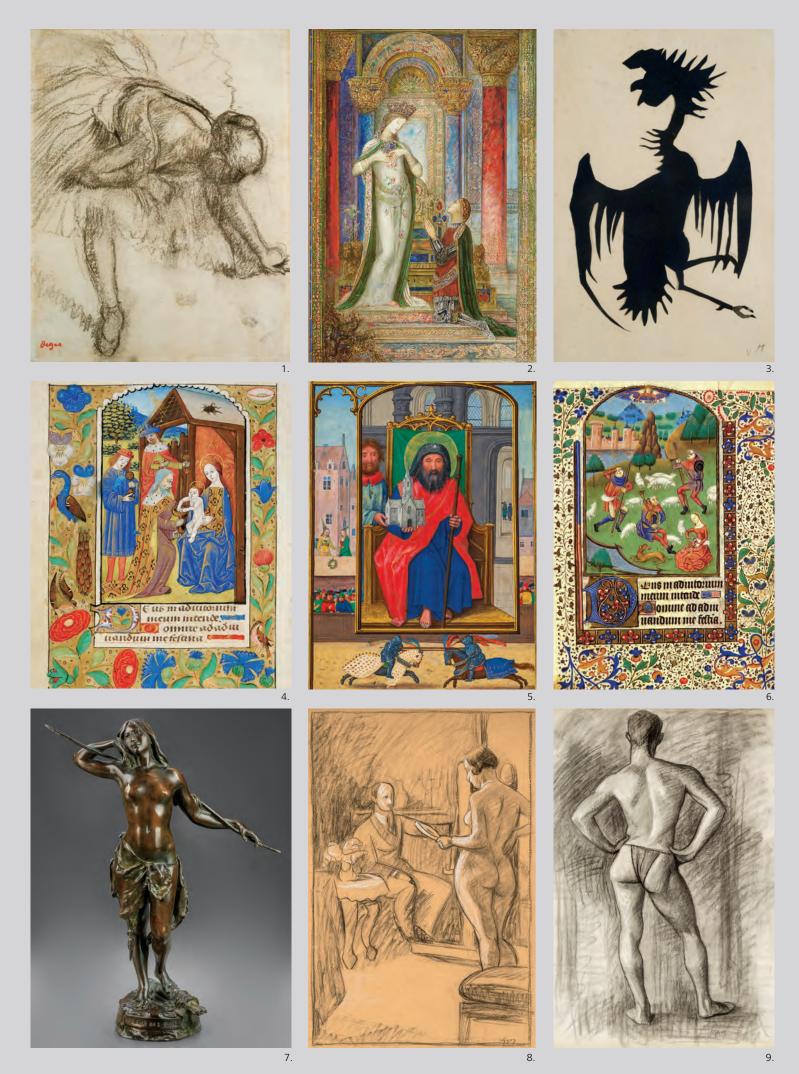
NATIONAL POST, Toronto

With more than 70 works by some of the leading artists of Canada, this exhibition demonstrates the impact of a creative and training process that was once the foundation of all representations of the human body,

BLOUIN ART+AUCTION,

THE GRADUAL FREEING OF THE NUDE The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts presents an exhibition that explores the evolution of body censorship in artistic representations in Quebec

LE DEVOIR, Montreal



1. Edgar Degas (1834-1917), Study of a Dancer, about 1890 (?) | 2. Gustave Moreau (1826-1898), Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, 1882 | 3. Victor Hugo (1802-1885), Eagle, about 1855 | 4. A late follower of Robert Boyvin, The Adoration of the Magi, about 1500 (1495-1505), Rouen, leaf from a manuscript Book of Hours in Latin for the use of Rouen. Montreal, McGill University Library, Rare Books and Special Collections, Catherine Rhodes Tudor-Hart Bequest, 1972. Photo Gregory Houston | 5. Simon Bening (1483-1561), Saint Sebald of Nuremberg, about 1515-1525, Flanders, Southern Netherlands, manuscript leaf from a Book of Hours, a prayer book or a breviary, MMFA, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest | 6. Workshop of the Master of the Échevinage of Rouen, The Annunciation to the Shepherds, Hours of Pellegrin de Remicourt and Madeleine Symier, about 1470-1475, Rouen. Université du Québec à Montréal, Arts Library, Special Collections, Montreal School of Fine Arts Bequest, 1969. Photo Gilles Saint-Pierre | 7. Louis-Philippe Hébert (1850-1917), Woodland Flower, 1897, cast R. Hohwiller, Paris. MMFA, gift in memory of Michel Moreault | 8. John Lyman (1886-1967), Self-portrait with Female Model Posing in the Nude, 1930s. MMFA, gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin | 9. John Lyman, Back View of a Male Model, 1930s. MMFA, gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin |

CONTEMPORARY ART

JEAN-MICHEL OTHONIEL: Motion – Emotion

June 20 - November 11, 2018

An homage to the violence of the elements, this exhibition marked Jean-Michel Othoniel's first-ever solo in Canada. In it, natural shapes – an enduring source of inspiration for the artist – were used to express a deep concern for the environment, departing from their dazzling tendency and giving a more sombre note to the precariously balanced sculptures. Monumental *Tornadoes* in chromed aluminum or stainless steel, four of which were activated by a motor – a complex feat of engineering – physically surrounded all who approached them. In their twisted movements and imposing size, they evoked nature

in all its power. As visitors gazed at the reflective surfaces, they saw in them their own image: the works becoming gigantic mirrors reflecting human fears and desires, while inviting us to engage in an intimate dialogue with architecture and the environment.

The exhibition was organized by the MMFA in collaboration with Jean-Michel Othoniel and Galerie Perrotin. It was curated by Diane Charbonneau, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Decorative Arts, MMFA.

The MMFA is hosting ... the first solo exhibition by French artist Jean-Michel Othoniel in Canada. The display showcases a recent body of work by the artist, which discusses storms and natural violences. ... These evocative works, suspended in space, appear like mobiles that surround whomever approaches them.

BLOUIN ART INFO, New York

VIOLENCE IN LIGHTNESS

Twirling tornadoes of beads that reflect with elegance and spirituality the French artist's concerns about the political and environmental state of the planet. ... The sculptures are all suspended from steel wires after being perfectly balanced to effect delicate, harmonious works that appear light despite their 150 kg weight.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

LIMINALS: A Para-fiction of Transcendence by Jeremy Shaw September 6, 2018 – June 2, 2019

Making its North American premiere at the MMFA, this immersive video installation by Jeremy Shaw explores the cathartic potential of spiritual ecstasy in a fictional parallel future. A rich work, *Liminals* at first appears to be a black and white 16 mm documentary shot sometime in the 1970s but subsequently evolves from its vérité aesthetic to something caught between a ritual documentary, music video and science fiction film. The narrator relates that the story is in fact set three generations from now, when humanity is on the verge of extinction. Our visitors followed the adventures of eight characters who

attempt to save humanity through a combination of Machine DNA brain augmentations and long-abandoned spiritual rituals. This immersive, multi-sensory experience was made possible for our visitors thanks to a generous loan from Canadian collector Bruce Bailey. Not surprisingly, *Liminals* turned heads when it was presented at the 2017 Venice Biennale.

This installation was curated by Geneviève Goyer-Ouimette, Gail and Stephen A. Jarislowsky Curator of Quebec and Canadian Contemporary Art (1945 to Today), MMFA.

Jeremy Shaw's Liminals, originally presented at the 2017 Venice Biennale, had its North American premiere ... at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. ... Liminals explores ideas of transcendence, a theme frequently found in Shaw's work, while reinterpreting traditional methods of documentary filmmaking, contemporary art and scientific research.

THE GLOBE AND MAIL, Toronto

A SUBMERSION IN FUTURE
CONSCIOUSNESS
Fascinated by hypotheses about societies
of the future, largeny shaw plays with

of the future, Jeremy Shaw plays with fiction and scientific developments to inspire reflection on the human condition.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

Liminals explores notions of community, tribalism, technology and various kinds of evolution. It contemplates and examines the future while also exploring the lengths people will go to in order to achieve that most nebulous of ideas: transcendence.

CULT MTL

OF INDIVIDUALS AND PLACES: Photographs from the Lazare Collection

November 28, 2018 - April 28, 2019

Jack Lazare, leading businessman in the travel and music industries and member of our Acquisition Committee – International Art after 1900, has built up a remarkable photography collection – mainly contemporary – since the 1980s. Bringing together some 100 works by major Canadian and international photographers, *Of Individuals and Places* revealed the collector's sensitive eye and particular love of images that appear suspended in time and stir reflection. Ten years after presenting a selection of his collected works in the exhibition *All for Art! Our Great Private Collectors Share their Works*, Lazare, together with his wife Harriet, offered the MMFA 33 stunning photographs, some of

which were displayed in last year's exhibition. This generous gift from the patron couple has greatly enriched our holdings in view of our upcoming opening of a dedicated cabinet of photography.

The exhibition was organized by the MMFA with the participation of the Lazare family. It was curated by Diane Charbonneau, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Decorative Arts, MMFA.

Images by renowned local and international artists that the MMFA has showcased in a spectacular visual symphony ... The inspired and non-linear arrangement created by curator Diane Charbonneau ... effectively highlights the collection's soul.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal

The results of Lazare's obsession are on full display in the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' remarkable new exhibition ... You can find yourself forgetting about time as you stand in front of these images and ponder their truth.

MONTREAL GAZETTE

THE MMFA CONTINUES ITS TRIBUTE TO PHOTOGRAPHY

This exhibition shows ... the path the photo has taken from its beginnings, its dialogue with the dual nature of the image ... both as historical witness and in artistic expression. True to form, the images presented here have one foot in the documentary world and the other in the art world.

LE DEVOIR, Montreal

The donation of some 30 photographs to the MMFA by collector Jack Lazare was the perfect opportunity to showcase the unique sensibilities of a personal collection that reflect a melancholy vision of the world.

CIEL VARIABLE, Montreal This exhibition features almost 100 photographs by major Canadian and international artists, including 33 works that were donated to the Museum by Jack and Harriet Lazare.

PHOTO LIFE, Quebec









the members of the Z'otz* Collective (photo Pascal Flores), Brendan Fernandes (photo Chester Vincent Toye), Hua Jin (photo Jinyoung Kim) and Pavitra Wickramasinghe (photo Jonathan Villeneuve).

CONNECTIONS **Our Artistic Diversity Dialogues with Our Collections**

September 18, 2018 - June 9, 2019

What constitutes our cultural identity and how does it evolve? The MMFA initiated a reflection on this question through *Connections*, an exhibition that presented seven commissioned works by emerging Canadian artists from culturally diverse communities. Arwa Abouon, Maria Ezcurra and Nuria Carton de Grammont, Brendan Fernandes, Hua Jin, Karen Tam, Pavitra Wickramasinghe and the members of Z'otz* Collective were invited to create an artwork, inspired by an object in the MMFA's permanent collection, that would spark a transhistorical and contemporary dialogue on identities. Presented alongside the work from the MMFA's African, Asian, Middle Eastern and Pre-Columbian art collections that influenced the respective artists, each work or installation explored

the theme of cultural fluidity and identities in perpetual renegotiation. Six of these works will be on display in the galleries of the Stephan Crétier and Stéphany Maillery Wing for the Arts of One World.

This exhibition was organized by the MMFA with support from the Canada Council for the Arts' New Chapter program. It was curated by Laura Vigo, Curator of Asian Art, MMFA, in collaboration with Erell Hubert, Curator of Pre-Columbian Art, MMFA, Geneviève Goyer-Ouimette, Gail and Stephen A. Jarislowsky Curator of Quebec and Canadian Contemporary Art (from 1945 to Today), MMFA, and Valerie Behiery, arts writer and independent scholar.

A PLURALITY OF VIEWS OFFERS A NEW TWIST ON EARLY ARTWORKS

The seeds of Connections were first sewn at the MMFA with From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present and Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art. These two exhibitions ... sought to widen the focus beyond the traditional discourse of art history. Connections continues the dialogue between cultures and eras.

LE DEVOIR, Montreal

Emerging or established artists were invited to create a work representing transhistorical and contemporary dialogue in connection with the MMFA's collection of ancient African, Asian, Mediterranean, Oriental and pre-Columbian art. ... This exhibition poses for viewers as an opportunity to preview contemporary artworks alongside the artists' objects of inspiration and rediscover the Museum's collections.

BLOUIN ART INFO, New York

BUILDING NEW NARRATIVES AT THE MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS A new exhibit at the MMFA connects artwork from the Museum's collections with contemporary work from diverse cultural backgrounds.

CONCORDIA.CA, Montreal

To celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation, the MMFA invited seven artists representing our cultural diversity to create a work inspired by its collection of world cultures.

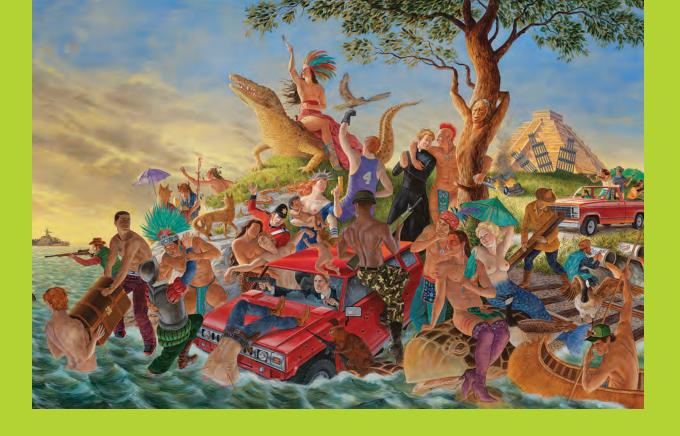
MONTREAL GAZETTE

LEILA ZELLI, WINNER OF THE 2019 IMPRESSIONS ARTIST RESIDENCY

Every year since 2013, with the support of the Conseil des arts de Montréal, the MMFA has invited up-and-coming visual artists from Montreal's diverse cultural communities and Indigenous communities to bring their unique perspective to the Museum's collections. The winner of the 2019 Impressions Residency, Leila Zelli, explored the She creates in situ digital installations using existing media images and videos found on the Internet. The resulting visual and sound experiences create an opportunity to reflect on the state of the world, the relationship with the Other and the actual effect



Photo Marie-Christiane Mathieu



ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER GUIDES' REPORT

A GROUP RICH IN DIVERSITY

One of the Museum's great assets is its corps of Volunteer Guides, who belong to a self-governing association dating back 54 years (the AVG). Our members now total 253, consisting of 162 active guides and 91 associates, a small group of whom serve as "ambassadors," welcoming visitors to the Museum. Every year, a dozen or so new guides join our association. They are increasingly diverse in background and life experience, which enriches the tours and the AVG as a whole.

SPECTACULAR, INSPIRING EXHIBITIONS

Nearly 70,000 visitors participated in the tours offered by our Guides from April 1, 2018, to March 31, 2019. This year gave us three very different, awe-inspiring temporary exhibitions, all executed in the sophisticated, theatrical style for which our Museum is known.

We greatly enjoyed delving into From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present and Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art (May 12 to September 16, 2018), which were an extraordinary immersion in the art of Africa and how it has inspired artists from Picasso to our current generation. Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor (September 21, 2018, to February 24, 2019) stretched our imaginations with its playful evocations of the circus. This exhibition was followed by Thierry Mugler: Couturissime (March 2 to September 8, 2019), a glamorous exploration of creative genius.

Our Guides were also regularly on hand to interact informally with visitors in this year's Discovery Exhibitions, presented on Level S2 of the Desmarais Pavilion: *Jean-Michel Othoniel: Motion – Emotion, Connections: Our Artistic Diversity Dialogues with our Collections* and *Of Individuals and Places: Photographs from the Lazare Collection.*

MEMORABLE EXPLORATIONS OF THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

Some 24,000 visitors delighted in tours of the Museum's extensive permanent collection this year. Love at First Sight is a themed visit devised by each individual Guide for the general public. VIPs, for their part, were treated to Masterpiece Spotlight, a themed tour focusing on a selection of our prized works chosen by our Director, Nathalie Bondil.

Other forms that our innovative tours took this year were the Rendezvous, a 10-minute chat around a single artwork, the 90-minute

Great Tours geared toward new Museum Members, and summer visits (sometimes under umbrellas) of the outdoor Sculpture Garden bordering the Museum. In addition, we regularly gave tours to large visitor groups, such as students, tourism professionals and art collectors.

RENEWED PARTICIPATION IN DEM PROJECTS

We are especially proud of the trust placed in us by the Museum's Education and Wellness Division (DEM). Under its direction, selected Guides gave tours to the blind and partially sighted, recent immigrants and groups with special needs, such as people with autism or mental health issues. Through our collaborations with a geriatric specialist at a Montreal hospital, we are currently participating in groundbreaking research on the therapeutic benefits of fine arts on older adults.

EVER-BROADENING HEARTS AND MINDS

If our service to the Museum is of exceptional quality, it is greatly owed to the in-house training provided by the MMFA, including fascinating lectures by academics and curators. In addition, as always, we continually refreshed our knowledge of art and archaeology this year by visiting other art galleries and museums in Montreal, Quebec and abroad. The guided tours we receive from local experts in these great institutions is an invaluable inspiration for us. In 2018, we visited Amsterdam, and in 2019, Mexico City.

AFFILIATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The MMFA, in its physical and historical relation to Europe and North America, is uniquely placed to interpret art to its audiences, but we do not do so in isolation. Increasingly, the AVG has been reaching out to our colleagues in the United States through our participation in the National Docent Symposium, a biennial conference of volunteer museum guides. We have also joined the Canadian Federation of Friends of Museums, and through it, the World Federation of Friends of Museums, which held its annual general meeting in Montreal in May 2019, dealing with the issues and concerns of museum volunteers from as far away as Singapore, Israel, Peru, South Africa, Hungary and France.

BARBARA BLACK

President 2018-2019 Association of Volunteer Guides

Kent Monkman (born in 1965), Miss America, 2012. MMFA, gift of Jacques and Céline Lamarre



LOVE IS LOVE

A nod to the words of Barack Obama spoken upon the announcement of the legalization of same-sex marriage in the United States in 2015, the exhibition Love Is Love [is] being presented at Buenos Aires' Kirchner Cultural Centre. ... The second stop after the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, the installation designed as a majestic three-metre-high wedding cake reveals the most magnificent wedding attire created by the couturier for all couples.

LE QUOTIDIEN DE L'ART, Paris

ALEXANDER CALDER

AFTER MONTREAL, THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS OPENS FIRST CALDER RETROSPECTIVE IN AUSTRALIA.

After delighting more than 150,000 visitors at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, the exhibition Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor starts its run at the National Gallery of Victoria in Melbourne, Australia.

ARTDAILY.ORG, Mexico and New York





FONTAINEBLEAU

RICHMOND

NAPOLEON The exhibition organized by the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts ... and now touring in a less expansive format to three other locations is remarkably

THE BURLINGTON MAGAZINE, London

NAPOLEON

KANSAS CITY

The Château de Fontainebleau presents an exhibition designed by the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. After its showing in three cities on the other side of the Atlantic (Montreal, Richmond and Kansas City), these works are now on display in the Belle Cheminée wing of the magnificent palace.

LE MONDE, Paris

NAPOLEON

FONTAINEBLEAU: QUEBECERS SHARING NAPOLEON WITH THE CHÂTEAU An outstanding exhibition developed by the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts is on view at the château.

LE PARISIEN

CONSERVATION OF WORKS IN THE COLLECTION

This year, much of our energies were devoted to art installations and documentation: the two major exhibitions that left on tour after their Montreal run, *Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor* and *Thierry Mugler: Couturissime*, required a broad range of expertise to mount both in their initial and subsequent locations.

Installing the Calder retrospective presented a number of challenges, notably relating to the assembly and balancing of the mobiles as well as to minimizing the risk of damaging the original paint layers in the movement of the different components. In several cases, we required the services of preparators familiar with these assembly steps, and we made technical notes in the condition reports. As it happens, the MMFA has two mobiles from 1956 and 1957 in its permanent collection that have conserved their original paint. This facilitated the assembly process, since we already had a certain degree of expertise in the area.

Recent studies on Calder's work revealed that the artist would intentionally place his mobiles in motion in his studio, so that visitors and collectors could admire their delicately balanced design and experience the complexity of their movement. To honour the artist's intention, the Whitney Museum of American Art, whose collection features a large number of Calder mobiles, launched a project to "activate" the works in its galleries. These activations are performed by conservation technicians who strategically trigger the motion of the mobile in such a way as to mitigate the risk of the multiple rods and suspended pieces colliding. These same precautions, of a type rarely seen in preventive conservation, were also taken for the Calder exhibition in Montreal after approval was obtained to perform activations on six mobiles, including two from the Museum's own collection. This project required the collaboration of seven conservators and technicians from the Conservation Department. Once a day during opening hours, three of Calder's mobiles were set in motion to the delight of visitors.

Fashion exhibitions also come with their fair share of installation challenges, whether it's fitting the garments onto stiff-limbed mannequins or dealing with the many accompanying accessories. The task of displaying the over 150 outfits designed by Thierry Mugler was no exception. The haute couture exhibition featured bodysuits and dresses made of figure-hugging silicon or latex, as well as ensembles crafted from intricate mesh and fishnet fabrics, many of them covered in pearls or adorned with often massive crystals. During the process of dressing the mannequins, some of their body parts had to be modified or even trimmed to accommodate the outfits. Documenting this project conceived by the MMFA proved essential, both as a way of providing

step-by-step instructions for handling the garments and dressing the mannequins and of creating condition reports to accompany the pieces on their subsequent travels. One of the things we learned from this initial installation was that all or part of certain garments would have to remain on their respective mannequins in order to safeguard them on the different stages of the tour. This helped us determine the packing cases needed as well as any adaptations required to them to preserve the integrity of the pieces during transit.

In Canadian art, the stunning exhibition *A Model in the Studio, Montreal 1880-1950: New Acquisitions* saw our body of works on paper enriched with numerous studies of nudes. The exhibition design offered novel ways for presenting certain drawings that gave the public more direct access to them in an intimate setting. Moreover, the exhibition *Resplendent Illuminations: Books of Hours from the 13th to the 16th Century in Quebec Collections* provided the opportunity for our graphic arts conservator to study and analyze the materials and media used in these representations, contributing to a more accurate identification of the origin of certain leaves that had been separated from their original volumes.

Through these exhibitions and recent acquisitions, the restoration team was able to carry out a number of significant treatments, including structural repairs to the weakened and deformed support of *Canadian Harvest Worker* (1911) by Joseph Saint-Charles as well as a cleaning of its paint layers. In sculpture, the reconstruction of lost components always poses a challenge. One solution is to find conclusive evidence of the original work, such as a print depicting the object. Such was the case of the solid silver scale representing justice that sits atop a presentation piece (1877) by Robert Hendery.

The restoration profession can give rise to collaborations with individuals possessing highly specialized know-how. In one such example, a generous donation of an important Borghese vase produced by Berlin's Royal Porcelain Manufactory between 1823 and 1832 prompted us to seek the services of a talented French specialist in porcelain restoration in order to return the object to its full material and decorative integrity. The vase had been partially broken and, unfortunately, improperly restored in the past.

RICHARD GAGNIER

Head of the Conservation Department



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Joseph Saint-Charles (1868-1956), Canadian Harvest Worker, 1911, oil on canvas. MMFA, gift of the Club Saint-Denis of Montreal Berlin Royal Porcelain Manufactory (founded in 1763), "Borghese"-shaped vase adorned with cartouches imitating micromosaics:

Landscape with Roman Ruins and The Temple of Hercules in Cori, near Velletri, between 1823 and 1832, hard-paste porcelain. MMFA, gift of Mrs. T.T. McG. Stoker Robert Hendery (1814-1897), presentation piece, 1877, silver. MMFA, purchase, gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q.,
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Photos before and after restoration

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS



Catalogue raisonné des livres d'Heures conservés au Québec, published by Presses de l'Université du Québec and edited by Brenda Dunn-Lardeau.



From the Hands
of the Masters II – From
Parmigianino to Matisse,
edited by Hilliard T. Goldfarb,
Senior Curator – Collections and
Curator of Old Masters, MMFA.

Over the course of fiscal 2018-2019, the Publishing Department produced an impressive catalogue for each of the three major exhibitions presented in the Museum's galleries.

THROUGH THE EYES OF PICASSO. FACE TO FACE WITH AFRICAN AND OCEANIC ART

Picasso once famously – and provocatively – declared that he was not acquainted with African art. Yet hundreds of archival documents and photographs illustrate how such works were a continual source of <u>inspiration for the master</u> artist throughout his career.

Divided into three parts, this comprehensive tome explores Picasso's fascination with art from outside of Europe. A chronology – spanning from 1900, when he arrived in Paris, to 1974, the year following his death – highlights the principal points of intersection between the artist and "primitive" art. An examination of the thematic links between Picasso's oeuvre and diverse non-European works reveals recurrent themes along with parallel artistic expressions of those subjects. Essays by three authoritative authors complete the exploration of the influence of these works on Picasso and the lasting and meaningful bond he had with them.

CALDER, RADICAL INVENTOR

Alexander Calder made sculpture move and forged a practice in constant dialogue with the world in motion and the motion in things. Calder's probing mind, love of materials and penchant for invention empowered him to discard the traditional artistic hierarchies and construct his own set of postulates for the behaviour of art based on new scientific precepts of reality to arrive at "a new possibility of beauty."

This catalogue examines the full scope of the artist's career through the perspective of engineering, popular culture, physics, astronomy, photography, architecture, industry, politics and conservation. The book's graphic design, realized by Montreal firm Compagnie et cie, was prized as one of the top designs of the year in the 2019 Grafika contest (Montreal) and also won the Complete Book Design Award at the 2019 Applied Arts Design Awards (Toronto).

THIERRY MUGLER, COUTURISSIME

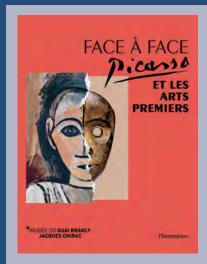
Since the creation of his label in 1974, Thierry Mugler has continuously revolutionized contemporary fashion with his singular, imaginative vision. Beyond his iconic prêt-à-porter and haute couture garments, Mugler has left his mark as a photographer, director, choreographer and perfumer.

The first major scholarly publication dedicated to the fashion mogul of the 1970s and '80s, this richly illustrated catalogue comprises over 450 photos, many rare or never previously published. In its glamorous pages, the book relates Mugler's career in images, including his work with photography giants Helmut Newton (1920-2004) and Guy Bourdin (1928-1991). The book also brings together images by famous photographers Richard Avedon, David LaChapelle, Lillian Bassman, Dominique Issermann, Herb Ritts, Ellen von Unwerth, Pierre et Gilles, Francesco Scavullo, Steven Meisel, Sarah Moon, Bruce Weber, Paolo Roversi, Jean-Paul Goude and, of course, Mugler himself. Numerous sketches and unpublished documents, along with photos taken behind the scenes during fashion shows, are published here for the first time.

FRANCINE LAVOIE Head of Publishing

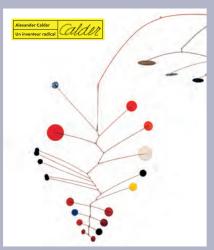
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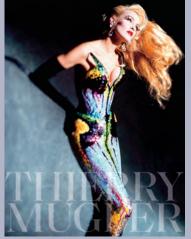
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Published in French and English by the MMFA in collaboration with 5 Continents Editions, Milan, under the general editorship of Anne Grace and Elizabeth Hutton Turner.

Graphic design: Compagnie et Cie (Montreal) 240 pages

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- 2019 Applied Arts Design Awards (Toronto), in the Complete Book Design category



The catalogue's graphic design was realized by Montreal firm Paprika. The book was published in French and English by the MMFA in collaboration with Phaidon, under the general editorship of Thierry-Maxime Loriot.

400 pages

The exhibition catalogue, with its 600 illustrations, ... is the creator's first monograph.

VOGUE, Paris

The richly illustrated publication, brings together texts written by a line-up of personalities including fashion expert Jeanne Beker, former French Minister of Culture Jack Lang, and Belgian writer Amélie Nothomh

RADIO-CANADA INTERNATIONAL

A MUSEUM IN TUNE WITH THE NEEDS OF OUR SOCIETY

As a year defined both by innovation and by the implementation and expansion of rich and wide-ranging projects, 2018-2019 was extremely stimulating. Continuing along the path laid out the previous year in the areas of education, fun cultural programming, and health and wellness – the three building blocks of our DNA – we worked tirelessly to further promote accessibility and inclusion, diversity and togetherness, research and evaluation, and digital mediation.

These initiatives prompted the creation of three new spaces within the Michel de la Chenelière International Atelier for Education and Art Therapy: the expansion of the **Art Hive**; a creative studio for youth aged 15 to 20, **WKSHP 15-20**; and a **digital mediation lab**. These spaces cater to three distinct clienteles that we intend to develop further in the coming months.

The results of all these efforts exceeded our expectations, leading to the hiring of two new employees in the Education and Wellness Division (DEM). The first, Moridja Kitenge Banza, Educational Programs Officer – Diversity and Togetherness, headed a major campaign aimed at Montreal's cultural communities, backed by the Art and Togetherness Committee, of which he is also a member. Together, we are preparing a highly eclectic program to mark the inauguration in November 2019 of the Stephan Crétier and Stéphany Maillery Wing, which will showcase the Museum's Arts of One World collection. We also welcomed Charlène Bélanger to our team as Educational Programs Officer – Digital Mediation. With support from Quebec's Plan culturel numérique and the Digital Committee, which she co-chairs, Charlène is implementing the digital mediation lab, whose mission is to integrally involve the visitor in the MMFA's technological innovations. Mobilizing a vast network of partners, the lab will foster collaborations and experiments aimed at conceiving and co-creating new forms of digital museum mediation.

This year, thanks to the unwavering efforts of a team of over 200 dedicated employees and Volunteer Guides, the Museum's rich offering of activities and initiatives attracted 358,214 visitors. This figure attests not only to the relevance of our programs, but also to their ability to appeal to an increasingly diversified audience. The total number of participants and users breaks down as follows:

- 81,280 participants in our leisure programs for families, young adults and seniors.
- 70,146 participants in our school programs
- 29,006 participants in our health and community programs
- 133,330 participants in our cultural activities (including Arte Musica and the Cinéma du Musée)
- 44,452 users of the MMFA's audioguides and mobile apps

The DEM remains steadfast to its priority: to offer all our participants, whether they come alone or in a group with a partner organization, a tailor-made experience that fulfils their needs and expectations. This mission permeates all our programs, which are underpinned by two fundamental questions: What can the Museum do for you, and how can it help you find solutions adapted to your reality?

Launched 20 years ago specifically to address these questions, the Sharing the Museum accessibility program offers a long-term solution that allows us to think and act locally. Several other pioneering projects have garnered both national and international recognition: key examples include Museum Prescriptions, Thursdays at the Museum (activities reserved for people aged 65 and over) and the Art of Being Unique program, designed for neurodiverse people.

A MUSEUM AS SCHOOL

Born of a collaboration between the MMFA, the Marguerite-Bourgeoys school board (CSMB), Dawson College, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) and Concordia University, the pilot project aimed at turning the Museum into a classroom really took off in 2018. Following a series of training sessions at the Museum, three teachers from the CSMB made regular trips to the MMFA with their preschool and secondary school students. Starting in January 2019, the Museum became the

students' classroom once a week over an eight-week period, as the teachers incorporated works from our collection into all of their subjects. Moreover, an art history teacher from Dawson College gave a course at the Museum for an entire term, drawing on our collection for her teaching resources. As part of an agreement with UQAM, several professors from the university's Faculty of Art organized seminars on site. For its part, Concordia University continued to offer art therapy courses at the Art Hive. In 2019-2020, we plan to convert one of Concordia's outdoor spaces across from the Michal and Renata Hornstein Pavilion into a playground.

We also struck an innovative interdisciplinary educational partnership with the Institut de tourisme et d'hôtellerie du Québec (ITHQ). As part of this initiative, since October 2018, students enrolled in the ITHQ's advanced culinary training program Formation supérieure en cuisine (FSC) are invited to exercise their culinary creativity by making dishes inspired by free visits to our collection and special encounters with artists exhibiting at the Museum. Given the enthusiastic response of both participants and organizers, these projects will most certainly be renewed.

We continued our focus on the Museum's extramural projects, notably with the deployment of the primary school version of the EducArt platform (three themes), the implementation of EducExpos based on this educational approach prized by schools and universities, and the training of several hundred teachers. We also began reflections and discussions on the transformation of an EducArt thematic planet by and for Indigenous communities, which will culminate with the development of a concrete project in the near future. At the same time, we are working with UQAM to develop a free online course. Aimed at a French-speaking audience, the course would highlight the work of Indigenous artists represented in the MMFA's collection.

In other excellent news, the founding members of the Coalition nationale pour une éducation artistique de qualité (CNéAQ) voted to mandate the Museum to coordinate the organization's upcoming initiatives and to oversee the achievement of its objectives: enabling specialist teachers to offer quality teaching in all Quebec schools; and fostering the emergence of creativity in children by giving them access to spaces adapted to their respective realities. It is our fervent hope that 2019 will be a pivotal year for the teaching of dance, theatre, music and visual arts in schools across the province.

A FUN CULTURAL MUSEUM

Adding to Family Weekends and Thursdays at the Museum, our team developed a new program designed for teenagers and young adults aged 15 to 20 in response to the needs expressed by many young people and community organizations. Thanks to the formation of the Youth Committee and the establishment of the WKSHP 15-20 studio, young people now have their own 80 m² space in the Museum where they can give free rein to their creativity.

The MMFA also became the first cultural organization to join Horizon 0-5, a regional consultative forum that mobilizes partners involved in the development and well-being of Montreal children aged 0 to 5 around the shared objective of implementing activities for preschool children and their families. We increased the number of Saturdays reserved for people from economically disadvantaged communities to two per month as part of the **Lending Families a Helping Hand** program with our partner organization a Montreal School for All. Through this increasingly popular initiative, each year we distribute 15,000 free family passes (for two adults and two children each) to the MMFA, facilitating their transportation by means of chartered buses and offering on-site activities tailored to their needs.

What's more, the Museum's special offering for seniors is proving beneficial. A study released in late 2018 by a team at the RUISSS McGill Centre of Excellence on Longevity showed that the creative activities offered by Thursdays at the Museum improved the quality of life and health of participants aged 65 and over, while also helping to break their isolation.



THOMAS BASTIEN
Director of Education
and Wellness
Photo Jean-François Brière



Liza Frulla, General Director, ITHQ, at the MMFA for the announcement of a new interdisciplinary educational partnership.

Photo Pierre Longtin



Educart wins the SMQ Prize for Excellence, category 2.
Photo Marion Desjardins © SMQ

A WORLD FIRST: The MMFA's museum prescriptions make international news – a unique pilot project



PRESCRIPTION MUSÉALE



NOM DU PATIENT:

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Profitez d'une visite gratuite au Musée pour vous faire du bien!

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L'art fait du bien, c'est prouvé!

L'expérience artistique et le contact avec des œuvres d'art ont des effets positifs sur la santé et le mieux-être.

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Présentez cette ordonnance à la file express de la billetterie du MBAM. Admet jusqu'à deux adultes et deux enfants (17 ans et moins). Valable pour une visite jusqu'au 31 décembre 2019. Les fac-similés ne sont pas acceptés.

The museum prescription form developed by the MMFA.



leconomiste.com (Morocco): [Doctor: New treatment for depression – a weekly visit to the Museum. Patient: Do I take it before or after meals?]

Montréal. Les patients en cure au musée Contre votre Syrress, une Exito de Van Gogh martin mi di et soir! Lagarfee Lagarfee

pour que les praticiens prescrivent, à partir du 1^{er} novembre, des ordonnances médicoculturelles à leurs patients. *e Télégramme* October 31 2018: [Montreal, Museum therapy for patients, Physician: "For your stress

Le Télégramme, October 31, 2018: [Montreal. Museum therapy for patients. Physician: "For your stress, a Van Gogh exhibition morning, noon and night." Patient: "Uh... isn't there a Gaston Lagaffe exhibit instead?!" The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and the city's physicians entered into an agreement to allow practitioners to prescribe therapeutic culture experiences to their patients, effective November 1, 2018.]

THE MUSEUM AS
MEDICAL TREATMENT
Going to the museum to feel
better, on doctor's orders: This is
now possible in Quebec, Canada,
thanks to a partnership between
the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts
and the Médecins francophones du
Canada association.

SCIENCES ET AVENIR, Paris

Canadian doctors to start prescribing museum visits. Patients suffering from a number of physical and mental health issues, along with their loved ones, can take in the benefits of art on health with free visits to the MMFA.

ASIAONE.COM, Singapore

A groundbreaking initiative.

EL PAIS, Madrid

Absolutely brilliant, art as medicine. ... A visionary project.

TV5 MONDE

Montreal museum partners with doctors to "prescribe" art. ... The initiative is being billed as the first of its kind in the world.

BBC NEWS, London

In the Canadian City of Montreal, medical practitioners are prescribing trips to the city's Fine Arts Museum.

ABC NEWS RADIO, Australia

A VISIT TO THE MUSEUM TO TREAT BURNOUT
That's the aim of the Médecins francophones du Canada
association and the MMFA. ... This Canadian example
could very well come to France someday.

LE FIGARO, Paris

The potential medical benefits of experiencing works of art is not new, but the idea that doctors could prescribe a visit to an art museum was developed by Nathalie Bondil, Director General and Chief Curator at the MMFA.

OBSERVER.COM, New York

Finally, a new category of Volunteer Guides was created: our new Ambassador Guides accompany our visitors during their exploration of various strategically selected locations, allowing them to discover the Museum in optimal conditions. Specialized training was offered by the Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Francisation et de l'Intégration in order to meet the increasing demand for francization tours for newcomers to Quebec.

A HEALTH AND WELLNESS MUSEUM

It was 20 years ago that the Museum first offered activities designed for people dealing with mental health issues. Twelve years later, we again broke new ground by joining forces with an art therapist, a physician and a researcher as part of a program aimed at people recovering from bulimia and anorexia. And, only two years ago, we scored several international firsts with the implementation of the Art and Health Committee, the hiring of a full-time art therapist and the opening of the Art Hive creative studio at the Museum. In November 2018, we took things a step further by creating the Museum Prescriptions program in partnership with the Association des médecins francophones du Canada, an initiative that made international headlines. This simple concept is founded in the results of numerous studies demonstrating the positive health and well-being effects of visits to the MMFA and participation in its creative workshops. By late March 2019, as many as 800 physicians had already registered for the program and over 200 patients had taken part. This autonomous offering adds to the semi-autonomous activities offered by the Art Hive as well as the different group activities fully supervised by our professionals. Our goal for 2022 is to reach a total of 5,000 participating patients in our Museum Prescriptions initiative.

Alongside several partner organizations from a forum created three years ago, we also celebrated the second edition of the MMFA's Neurodiversity Awareness Day. The event was followed by the unveiling of the preliminary findings of a study by the Cognitive Neuroscience Laboratory at the Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS) in France and Université de Montréal. Judging from the results presented, we're off to a good start!

Over 20 studies are currently being conducted by some 50 researchers from Montreal's major universities and international partners. As always, the Art and Health Committee remains close at hand to assess,

promote and guide our activities in this area. Incidentally, a number of our projects were presented at the Art, Health and Well-being Symposium organized in collaboration with UQAM in November 2018.

AN AMBASSADOR MUSEUM

Our expertise in understanding museum audiences and our capacity to co-create programs with a wide variety of partner organizations are revered the world over. In fact, the OECD and the ICOM recognized our pioneering role by mentioning the Museum in several sections of their guide Culture and Local Development: Maximising the Impact. Guide for Local Governments, Communities and Museums.

Also of note, a research and teaching seminar dedicated to the empirical study of museum visitors was launched in October 2018 as a joint initiative of the École du Louvre, the MMFA and UQAM. We took this opportunity to present the findings of some of the many researchers who have worked within our walls.

Thanks to FRAME (French Regional & American Museum Exchange), we were able to start work on the development of a recommendations guide in partnership with the Dallas Museum of Art and the Palais des beaux-arts de Lille. This guide is intended for museums interested in implementing their own program of activities promoting neurodiversity.

With invitations pouring in from across Canada, the United States, France, Belgium, Switzerland, Spain and even India, we had several opportunities to present our major projects while at the same time forge ties with numerous organizations and institutions, including the UNESCO Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development, the Musée du Louvre and the Centre Pompidou. We look forward to seeing the fruit of all these encounters very soon.



Photo Swann Bertholin

2018-2019 EDUCATION AND WELLNESS PARTNERS

The MMFA wishes to thank the following individuals, foundations and businesses that supported the Museum's education and wellness programs between April 1, 2018, and March 31, 2019.

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Derek Miner and Raphaël Malchelosse, students of Académie Dunton secondary school, *La sœur de la lune*, 2018, digital print on cardboard.



Photo Satteva Olatunde

MY VERY OWN MUSEUM!

April 5 to May 27, 2018

In collaboration with the Breakfast Club of Canada

For the fourth consecutive year, the Breakfast Club of Canada and the MMFA joined hands to encourage children from underprivileged backgrounds. In 2018, under the theme *My Very Own Museum!*, the students from three elementary school classes were given a cultural and artistic experience at the Museum aimed at igniting and reinforcing their sense of pride and self-esteem. The participants got hands-on experience with every step involved in mounting and curating an exhibition: choosing a theme, selecting an artistic technique, designing the gallery space and the flow of the exhibition, and crafting wall texts and descriptive labels. Through this project, the children found and used their voices!

POSTAL ART: ENCOUNTERS IN ART AND IDENTITY

April 21 to June 3, 2018

In collaboration with La Visitation, Gilles-Vigneault, Saint-Gabriel, Henri-Beaulieu, Sainte-Bernadette-Soubirous and Joseph-François-Perrault schools

As part of the program *A Montreal School for All*, six elementary and secondary school classes were invited on a journey into the world of language and illustration. The students took part in a cultural experience centred on postal art – a mode of communication that lends itself to artistic exchange. As they embarked on an exploration of the Museum's works, the young participants reflected on the theme of identity. Then, back in the studio, artist Queen Ka – a juggler of words and poetry – guided the students to create their own poems, illustrated using techniques introduced by artist Marianne Chevalier.

MONTREAL NORTH AT THE MUSEUM

June 13 to September 2, 2018

In collaboration with our partners of the Plan d'action collectif de Montréal-Nord – Priorité jeunesse

The Museum entered into a partnership with members of the Plan d'action collectif de Montréal-Nord, thus confirming its long-term commitment to the youth in this borough. This EducExpo was specially designed for two classes from elementary schools Jules-Verne and Adélard-Desrosiers that, under the theme of diversity, were invited to create artworks inspired by our collections. An initiative that nourished each child's potential.

EDUC-ART: ART IN/SIGHT

June 21 to August 12, 2018

In collaboration with the English Montreal School Board, Lester B. Pearson School Board, Commission scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys, Commission scolaire de Montréal and Commission scolaire de la Pointe-de-l'Île

For this EducExpo, the MMFA invited students from diverse educational institutions in Montreal – Académie Dunton, La Voie, Vincent Massey, Royal Vale, des Sources, Sainte-Gertrude and Pierrefonds Comprehensive – to present their artistic creations and essays completed in class using EducArt, the Museum's educational platform launched in 2017. In engaging with the artworks and the themes in this innovative academic tool, these young people showed their mettle as creators, thinkers and citizens of tomorrow.

WHEN I GROW UP, I'M GOING TO BE... Toward an inclusive education for girls around the world

September 27, 2018, to January 20, 2019

In collaboration with the NOLA Project and The Woman Power collective

Two-thirds of the world's illiterate population are women. At this very moment, 31 million schoolaged girls and 34 million adolescents are deprived of education for one reason or another, be it poverty, violence, forced marriage, traditional family roles or otherwise. Weaving a three-way dialogue between an artwork in the MMFA's collection, Manuela Clément-Frencia's documentary work in Lesotho and Togo, and The Woman Power collective's initiatives, this EducExpo opened visitors' eyes and minds to this major social issue.

WHAT IF...? Strengthening intercommunity and intergenerational bonds through artistic expression

October 29, 2018, to January 13, 2019

In collaboration with the SHERPA research and training centre and the RAPS team (research and action on social polarization)

What if... we shared the same dreams, the same fears? And What if... we decided to create together? Reflecting a rich linguistic, cultural and socioeconomic diversity, this EducExpo brought together a group of collaborative works at the Museum created by residents from across

Montreal and Quebec City. The presentation was part of a research and intervention project led by the SHERPA research and training centre and the RAPS team, whose mission in part is to counter social polarization and isolation – common seeds of violence.

TRANSFORMATION LOVE RETURNS TO THE MUSEUM

February 5 to March 31, 2019

In collaboration with Leave Out Violence (LOVE)

Transformation presented a series of photographs made by youth aged 13 to 21 as part of LOVE (Québec), a project aimed at building a society that is free of fear and violence. In summer 2018, the participants gathered at the Museum for two weeks to talk about art and social issues as they visited the collections and the exhibition From Africa to the Americas: Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present. Promoting introspection, communication, autonomy, empathy, pride and self-esteem, these gatherings facilitated by Moridja Kitenge Banza, artist and Educational Programs Officer - Diversity and Togetherness, MMFA, spurred the youth to explore the theme of identity and to share their messages of non-violence. The teens also presented accompanying texts that spoke about their reflections and their desire to inspire tolerance, respect and peace.

EDUCART EXPO WHEN ART SPEAKS TO US

February 12 to May 5, 2019

In collaboration with Lester B. Pearson School Board and the Commission scolaire des Affluents

The digital platform EducArt equips teachers and students in Quebec's elementary schools who are interested in using the treasures in our encyclopedic collection as a basis for a variety of academic projects. Addressing themes of resiliency and communication, this EducExpo's goal was to foster interaction between students from Evergreen and Hauts-Bois schools. These budding artists offered us a window into their creative minds as they expressed their points of view and aesthetics in activities centred on interdisciplinary learning.

THE MUSEUM'S ARTWORKS ON LOAN AROUND THE WORLD

NEARLY 300 WORKS FROM THE MUSEUM'S COLLECTION TRAVELLED AROUND THE WORLD THIS YEAR. HERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES...























IN CANADA

1. Rebecca Belmore (born in 1960)

Mixed Blessing, 2011
Purchase, Louise Lalonde Lamarre Memorial Fund

Rebecca Belmore: Facing the Monumental Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto July 12 – October 21, 2018

Remai Modern, Saskatoon February 1 – May 12, 2019

2. Omar Ba (born in 1977)

Africa, Looting, Trees, Wealth, 2014
Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest
© Omar Ba. Courtesy of the artist and Hales gallery

Omar Ba. Same Dream The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto January 26 – May 12, 2019

3. BGL (collective founded in 1996)

An Adult's Toy, 2003
Purchase, the Canada Council for the Arts'
Acquisition Assistance Program and the David R.
Morrice and Mary Eccles Bequests

BGL: Spectacle + Problems Museum London, Ontario April 28 – August 26, 2018

4. Mickalene Thomas (born in 1971)

I Learned the Hard Way, 2010
Purchase, the Museum Campaign 1988 1993 Fund

© Mickalene Thomas / SOCAN (2019)

Mickalene Thomas: Femmes Noires
Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto
November 29, 2018 – March 24, 2019

5. Shuvinai Ashoona (born in 1961)

Happy Mother, 2013 Purchase, Monique Parent Fund

Shuvinai Ashoona: Mapping Worlds The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto

January 26 – May 12, 2019

6. Françoise Sullivan (born in 1923)

Rencontre avec Apollon archaïque, 1974 Don de Françoise Sullivan © Françoise Sullivan / SOCAN (2019)

Françoise Sullivan Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal October 20, 2018 – January 20, 2019

McMichael Canadian Art Collection, Kleinburg, Ontario February 16 – May 12 2019 7. Meiji Period (1868-1912) JAPAN, KAGOSHIMA PREFECTURE Satsuma ware

Mokugyo shaped (Buddhist gong)
1880s Vessel
Gift of Anthony Lee and Glenda Garbutt
in memory of Great aunt Chiu Wun King Lo

Obsession: Sir William Van Horne's Japanese Ceramics Gardiner Museum, Toronto October 20, 2018 – January 20, 2019

204 works loaned by the MMFA

8. Mary Alexandra Bell Eastlake (1864-195

The Annunciation, 1896
Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest

Àdisòkàmagan / Nous connaître un peu nous-mêmes / We'll All Become Stories Ottawa Art Gallery April 28 – September 16, 2018

9. Djemdet-Nasr (3100-2700 AEC), IRAQ

Votive mace head Gift of F. Cleveland Morgan

Into the Wonder Room Montreal Archaeology and History Complex February 13, 2019 – January 10, 20

9 works loaned by the MMFA

10. Frédéric Back (1924-2013

Lumber Mill, Baie Saint Paul, 1949 Gift of Ghylaine and Frédéric Back

Frédéric Back, la célébration de la vie Cinémathèque québécoise July 3 – August 19, 2018

11. New Kingdom (1570-1085 BCE) 18th-19th dynasties (1570-1279 BCE), EGYPT

Mummy Mask Achat

Queens of Egypt
Pointe-à-Callière, Montréal Archaeology
and History Complex
April 10 – November 4, 2018

7 works loaned by the MMFA

12. Laurent Amiot (1764-1839)

Teapot, about 1805
Ramsay Traquair Request

Laurent Amiot: Canadian Master Silversmith National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa May 11 – September 23, 2018 13. Paul-Émile Borduas (1905-1960)

Untitled (One Bird), 1942 Gift of Mr. Denis Noiseux and Mrs. Magdeleine Desroches Noiseux © Estate of Paul-Émile Borduas / SOCAN (2019

La Révolution Borduas: espaces et liberté
Musée d'art contemporain
de Baie-Saint-Paul
June 23 – November 4, 2018

Musée des beaux-arts de Sherbrooke November 29 2018 – March 24, 2019

7 works loaned by the MMFA

14. Marcel Barbeau (1925-2016

Au château d'Argol or Harabilithe Nocture, about 1946-1947 Purchase, Saidye and Samuel Bronfman Collection of Canadian Art

Marcel Barbeau. In Motion Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec October 11, 2018 – January 6, 2019

15. Barbara Todd (born in 1952)

Night Sky, 1994 Gift of the artist

Fait main / Hand Made Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec June 14 – September 3, 2018

IN THE UNITED STATES

16. Edgar Degas (1834-1917)

At the Theatre: Woman Seated in the Balcony, about 1877-1880 Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Michal Hornstein

Degas: A Passion for Perfection Denver Art Museum February 11 – May 20, 2018

17. Workshop of François-Pascal-Simon Gérard

Bust length Portrait of Napoleon in Ceremonial Robes, about 1805-1814 Ben Weider Collection

Napoléon: Art and Court Life in the Imperial Palace The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City October 26, 2018 – March 10, 2019

13 works loaned by the MMFA

18. Hyacinthe Rigaud (1659-1743)

Modello for the Portrait of Louis XIV in Royal Ceremonial Robes, 1701
Purchase, gifts of W. Bruce C. Bailey in honour of Hilliard T. Goldfarb, and of Dan and André Mayer, the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' Volunteer Association Fund, the Museum Campaign 1988
1993 Fund, and the Serge Desroches, Hermina Thau, David R. Morrice, Mary Eccles, Jean Agnes Reid Fleming, Geraldine C. Chisholm, Margaret A. Reid, F. Eleanore Morrice, Harold Lawson, Marjoric Caverhill, Harry W. Thorpe and Mona Prentice Bequests

Napoleon: Art and Court Life in the Imperial Palace Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, Virginie June 9 – September 3, 2018

13 works loaned by the MMFA

19. Late Period, 26th Dynasty (664-525 B.C.E.), EGYPT

Amulet: *Wedjat* eye Gift of Mrs. J. Douglas Morgan

Queens of Egypt National Geographic Museum, Washington March 1 – September 2, 2019

7 works loaned by the MMFA

20. Jean-Joseph Benjamin-Constant (1845-1902)

The Pink Flamingo, 1876 Gift of Philippe and Michèle Stora in honour of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' 150th anniversary

Keepers of the Flame: Parrish, Wyeth, Rockwell and the Narrative Tradition Norman Rockwell Museum, Stockbridge, Massachusetts June 9 – October 28, 2018

IN EUROPE

21. Jean Paul Riopelle (1923-2002)

Homage to Grey Owl, 1970
Oil on canvas 299.5 x 400 cm
Gift of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
© Estate of Jean Paul Riopelle / SOCAN (2019)

Mitchell / Riopelle. Un couple dans la démesure Aux Capucins, Landerneau, France December 16, 2018 – April 22, 2019

22. Maria Hupfield (born in 1975)

Jingle Spiral, 2015 Purchase, Janet G. Bailey Fund

The One Who Keeps On Giving
Canadian Cultural Centre, Paris, France
September 26, 2018 – January 18, 2019

23. Jan Steen (1626-1679)

The Return of the Prodigal Son, about 1668-1670 Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Michal Hornstein in honour of Paul Lavallée

Jan Steen's Histories Mauritshuis, The Hague, Netherlands February 15 – May 13, 2018

24. Jean-Michel Basquiat (1960-1988)

A Panel of Experts, 1982 Gift of Ira Young © Estate of Jean-Michel Basquiat / SOCAN (2019)

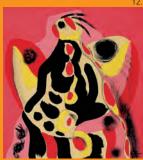
Basquiat: Boom for Real Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt, Allemagne February 16 – May 27, 2018

25. Giovanni Antonio Canal, called Canaletto (1697-1768)

Interior of San Marco, Venice, about 1740-1745 Adaline Van Horne Bequest

Canaletto, 1697-1768 Palazzo Braschi, Rome, Italy April 11 – September 23, 2018

























ACQUISITIONS STRONG SUPPORT FROM OUR GENEROUS DONORS

As of March 31, 2019, the Museum's collection totalled 43,849 artworks. Among the 414 acquired, donated or bequeathed this fiscal year, we wish to highlight a few individual and groups of works that stand out by virtue of their contribution to the enrichment and diversity of our collection.

This year was notable for the generosity of artists. In all, 36 works came to us from the studios of Jocelyne Alloucherie, Dominique Blain, Shary Boyle, André Fournelle, Donald Friedlich, Mario Gagnon, Kino Guérin, Lorraine Gilbert, Michel Lamothe, Eva Lapka, Rafael Lozano-Hemmer, Kent Monkman, Natascha Niederstrass, Graeme Patterson, Natalie Reis, Marcel Saint-Pierre, Jana Sterbak and Kim Waldron. Several of these are already on display or soon to be exhibited in the MMFA's galleries. In particular, visitors can admire the installations *Planetarium* (Montserrat Version) by Jana Sterbak, Untitled/Protection by Dominique Blain, Black Charcoal Cross – Charcoal Ash – White Charcoal by André Fournelle and 1,000 Platitudes by Rafael Lozano-Hemmer on Level S2 of the Jean-Noël Desmarais Pavilion.

Several Montreal galleries also showed exceptional generosity toward our institution by sending collectors our way and contributing to the enrichment of our collection. The late Jean-Pierre Valentin enhanced the content of the exhibition *A Model in the Studio, Montreal 1880-1950: New Acquisitions* by offering us two sculptures by Alfred Laliberté and two drawings by John Lyman. Eric Klinkhoff's gift of works by Arthur Lismer and Prudence Heward was a wonderful addition to the MMFA's representation of these major figures of Canadian art. In addition, Mark and Stephanie London strengthened our holdings of Pudlo Pudlat works by donating three quintessential drawings of Inuit graphic art. Finally, thanks to the generosity of Roger Bellemare, our collection now features a four-piece watercolour by Marcel Marois.

The exhibition A Model in the Studio, Montreal 1880-1950 resulted in the significant enrichment of our graphic arts collection. Several descendants of the artists (Roxanne and Monique Dehaut, Gaëtan Dorion, and Mario and Richard Contant) and certain collectors (Laurier Lacroix, Paul Maréchal and Jean-Marie Saint-Georges) kindly opened their doors to curator Jacques Des Rochers and allowed him to select works, which they then offered to the Museum. Another exhibition, Bon appétit! Contemporary Foodware Designs in Quebec, presented in the Design Lab, led to the acquisition of measuring cups designed by Marie-Hélène Beaulieu and Sébastien Duchange, the work Ready-Made No. 3 by Sébastien Duchange, a set of stackable baskets from the duo Dear Human and Proposed Design for Dinnerware and Flatware, a work created by Mario Gagnon for ALTO DESIGN. We received a noteworthy gift from Paul-Émile Borduas' daughter Renée Borduas, who bequeathed to us a substantial archive including several of her father's early drawings as well as 46 artworks (pochades, gouaches, drawings, photographs and sculptures). The donation also features works by Louise Gadbois, Edwin Holgate, Jean-Paul Mousseau (2) and a drawing executed by Paul-Émile Borduas in collaboration with Ozias Leduc.

Furthermore, the Museum's number of donors grew, thanks to gifts by several individuals, including Maude Lévesque, who offered us two paintings by Tammi Campbell; Richard and Arlene Leibtag, who donated three paintings by Ron Martin; and Marie-José Lacour, whose gift of 90 prints allowed us to present the work of photographer Serge Emmanuel Jongué. Two sculptures by Melvin Charney were also donated to the Museum by his daughter Dara Charney. A rediscovered work by artistic duo N.E. Thing Co. was offered to the Museum by David and Julie Moos, Alistair Mitchell and Naomi Margo, and works by Los Carpinteros and Laurent Grasso were gifted to the MMFA in memory of Michèle Carignan. In addition, we were able to acquire Lynn Chadwick's Cloaked Figure IX thanks to a gift of the children of Simha and Maurice S. Peress in honour of their parents, and we welcomed a new Jim Dine bronze into our collection thanks to an anonymous donation. Finally, the purchase of major works was made possible by two generous donors. The rare Ewer of the Israelite Mothers by Henry de Triqueti was acquired thanks to Dominique Joyal, and the monumental painting Bill at St. Mark's by Elaine de Kooning was acquired thanks to an exceptional gift by Roslyn Margles in memory of her husband, Max H. Margles.

The Museum is extremely grateful for the loyal support of all the collectors and donors who regularly contribute to the expansion and enrichment of its collections through major and targeted donations. The family of Roy Lacaud Heenan continued the work of this great collector by enhancing the MMFA's holdings with creations by Greg Curnoe and Jon Rafman. Céline and Jacques Lamarre generously donated works by Marcelle Ferron, Kent Monkman and Tony Cragg. Pierre Bourgie made a personal gift of a group of 12 paintings from the "Inner Space" series by Michael Merrill. Sharing his passion for collecting, the Honourable Serge Joyal enriched the Museum's collection with a gift of 24 works (book of hours, silverware, sculptures, photographs). For their part, print collectors Freda and Irwin Browns added six etchings by Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn to our graphic arts corpus. With their donation of 32 works, Barbara and Philip Silverberg made a major contribution to our collection of Canadian ceramics. Our Chinese archeological corpus also saw the addition of 21 objects offered by the Guérin-van Oenen family. Finally, thanks to their acquisition fund, Roger Fournelle and G. Pierre Lapointe made it possible for us to acquire paintings by Kathleen Moir Morris depicting Montreal scenes, while Caroline and Marcel Elefant enabled the Museum to purchase three cast iron sculptures signed by Magdalena Abakanowicz. These monumental sculptures now stand on the terrace named in honour of the donors.

The strength of our Museum's identity and its reflection of the rich diversity of Montreal would not be possible without the support of all these generous patrons and the commitment of our employees and the Foundation, who devote their expertise to the enrichment and preservation of our collections on a daily basis.

DANIÈLE ARCHAMBAULT

Registrar and Head of Archives



Émilie L. Cayer; Hilliard T. Goldfarb, Senior Curator – Collections and Curator of Old Masters, MMFA; and Roslyn Margles, donor. © EdeK Trust

MAJOR SCULPTURE BY LYNN CHADWICK DONATED TO THE MMFA The large enigmatic figure in Cloaked Figure IX is the culmination of a series of small sculptures and mock-ups done in pairs and as lone pieces. The fluidity of the cape contrasts with the exactingly defined shapes, and together they form an original quality, transforming the figure into a powerful, dynamic character, somewhat enveloped in mystery.

ARTDAILY.ORG, United States

DONATION TO THE MMFA

Adorning the Entrance to the MMFA, the magnificent sculpture Cloaked Figure IX by world-renowned British sculptor Lynn Chadwick (1914-2003) has entered the Museum's collection. Of the six existing editions of the original, the sculpture given to the MMFA is the only one in Canada.

LA PRESSE+, Montreal



INTERNATIONAL ART

INSTALLATIONS

Magdalena Abakanowicz Falenty, Poland, 1930 – Warsaw 2017

Walking Figures 2005 Cast iron 284 × 135 × 71 cm (each of the 3 figures) Purchase, gift of Marcel and Caroline Elefant 2018.186.1-3 See page 53

WORKS ON PAPER

Distant follower of the Rouen illuminators



Horæ for the Use of Rouen Manuscript Book of Hours in Latin and Middle French

About 1460-1475

Tempera, ink, gold leaf and powdered gold ink on parchment 19.7 × 13.8 x (4.8 to 8 cm) (book closed)

Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2018.210

Otto Dix

Untermhaus, Germany, 1891 — Singen, Germany, 1969



Study for the Portrait of the Lawyer Hugo Simons 1925 Charcoal, gouache 43×33.2 cm Purchase, Robert Allard and Charles Cole Fund

2018.153 © Estate of Otto Dix / SOCAN (2019)

Lyonel Feininger

New York 1871 - New York 1956



Unsere erste "Burg" [Our First "Castle"] 1924 Graphite 14.1 × 21.7 cm Gift of Erica Feininger 2018.207 © The Lyonel Feininger Family LLC / SOCAN (2019)



Auf unserm [sic] Lauf nach Horst vor 3 Jahren! [On Our Walk to Horst 3 Years Ago!] 1925 Graphite

14.1 × 22.1 cm Gift of Erica Feininger 2018.208

© The Lyonel Feininger Family LLC / SOCAN (2019)



Fenster ausschauend [The View from My Drawing Room, Looking Out from the Left of the Window] 1934 Graphite 14.1×21.3 cm Gift of Erica Feininger

© The Lyonel Feininger Family LLC / SOCAN (2019) Henri Matisse

2018.209

Le Cateau-Cambrésis, France, 1869 - Nice 1954



Nude with a Bracelet 1943 Linocut 31.9 × 24.4 cm (sheet) 24.6 × 17.7 cm (image) Purchase, Claude Dalphond Fund in memory of Gisèle Lachance 2018.133 © Estate of H. Matisse / SOCAN (2019)

Otto Mueller

Liebau, Germany (now Lubawka, Poland) 1874 -Breslau, Germany (now Wrocław, Poland) 1930



Self-portrait with Model and Mask 1921-1922 Lithograph 53.1 × 35.4 cm Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.135

Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn Leiden 1606 - Amsterdam 1669



Beggar Seated on a Bank 1630 Etching, state I/II 12 × 7.4 cm (sheet) 11.7 × 7 cm (platemark) Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.142



Self-portrait in a Velvet Cap with Plume Etching, state II/IV 14.2 × 11 cm (sheet) 13.5 × 10.4 cm (platemark) Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.143



Landscape with Cottages and a Hay Barn Oblong Etching, drypoint, only state 12.8 × 32.4 cm (platemark) Purchase, Dr. Sean B. Murphy Fund and Wake Robin Fund in memory of Nelo St.B. Harrison



Sick Woman with a Large White Headdress (Saskia) About 1645 Etching, drypoint, state II/II 6.3 × 5.2 cm (sheet) 6.1 × 5 cm (platemark) Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.144



About 1652 Etching, drypoint, engraving, state IV/VII 21.5 × 16.5 cm (sheet) 21 × 16 cm (platemark) Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.145



Reclining Female Nude (also known as Negress Lying Down) Etching, drypoint, engraving, state IV/VI 8.3 × 15.8 cm (sheet) 8.1 × 15.6 cm (platemark) Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.146



Woman Bathing Her Feet at a Brook 1658 Etching, state I/II 16.3 × 8.3 cm (sheet) $16.1 \times 8.1 \text{ cm (platemark)}$ Gift of Freda and Irwin Browns 2018.147

PAINTING

Omar Ba

Born in Dakar, Senegal, in 1977



Africa, Looting, Trees, Wealth 2014 Oil, gouache, ink and crayon on corrugated cardboard 199.5 × 150.2 cm Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.430 © Omar Ba. Courtesy of the artist and Hales Gallery

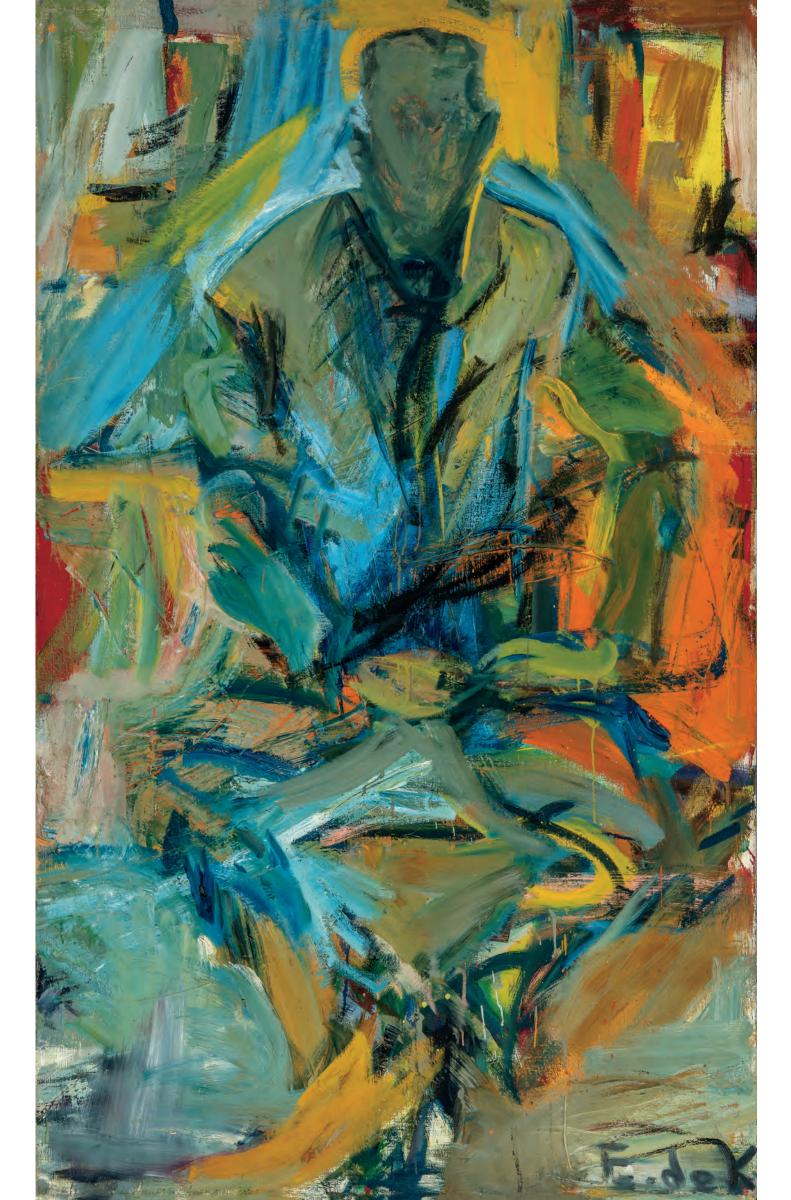
Elaine de Kooning Brooklyn 1918 – Southampton, New York, 1989

Bill at St. Mark's 1956 Oil on canvas 183 × 109.7 cm Purchase, gift of Roslyn Margles in memory of her husband Max H. Margles 2019.5 See opposite

Pierre-Joseph-Célestin François Namur 1759 — Brussels 1851



Following an Absence and Great Perils, Psyche Again Sees and Embraces Her Dear Cupid 1796 Oil on wood 29.1 × 21.7 cm Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.371



INTERNATIONAL ART (CONT'D)

Laurent Grasso Born in Mulhouse, France, in 1972



Studies into the Past 2009 Oil on plywood 50 × 60 cm Gift in memory of Michèle Carignan 2018.431 © Laurent Grasso / SOCAN (2019)

Thomas Frederick Mason Sheard Oxford, England, 1866 – London 1921



Portrait of the Sculptor George W. Hill 1892 Oil on canvas 130.5 × 98 cm Gift in memory of John Russell Harper (1914-1983) 2018.28

PHOTOGRAPHY

Leila Alaoui Paris 1982 — Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, 2016



Untitled
From the series "No Pasara" [Entry Denied]
2008, posthumous print 2018
Gelatin silver print, 2/5
Printed by Picto, Paris
73.3 × 102.2 cm
Purchase, William Gilman Cheney Bequest
2018.426

Zina Saro-Wiwa Born in Port Harcourt, Nigeria, in 1976



The Invisible Man: Empty Bench 2015 Ink sublimation on aluminum, 1/5 67.8 x 101.6 cm Purchase, gifts of David Appel, W. Bruce C. Bailey, Erin Battat, Dax Dasilva and Lillian Mauer 2019.9



The Invisible Man 2015
Ink sublimation on aluminum, 2/5
67.6 × 101.5 cm
Purchase, gifts of David Appel, W. Bruce C. Bailey, Erin Battat, Dax Dasilva and Lillian Mauer 2019.10

SCULPTURE

Los Carpinteros Havana, 1992-2018



Cromo Diez [Chrome Ten]
2011
Chrome-plated kerosene lamp and bronze
17 x 100 x 73 cm
Gift in memory of Michèle Carignan
2018.432.1-3
© Los Carpinteros
Courtesy Sean Kelly, New York & MMFA, Montreal

Lynn Chadwick London 1914 – Stroud, England, 2003

Cloaked Figure IX
1978, cast 1989
Bronze, 2/6
Cast Burleighfield, Loudwater, England
183 × 84 × 138.8 cm
Gift of the children of Simha and Maurice S. Peress
in honour of their parents
2018.358

Tony Cragg Born in Liverpool in 1949

Sharing
2005
Bronze
Cast Schmäke, Düsseldorf
98 × 109 × 108 cm
Gift of Jacques and Céline Lamarre
2018.374
See opposite

Jim Dine Born in Cincinnati in 1935



The Zebra (The Blue Version)
2010
Bronze, oil-based enamel paint, artist's proof 1/2
162 × 77.7 × 88 cm
Anonymous gift
2018.206
© Jim Dine / SOCAN (2019)

Romuald Hazoumè Born in Porto-Novo, Benin, in 1962



The Goddess of Love
2012
Wood, steel, iron, copper, padlocks, keys, fabric
182 × 84 × 84 cm
Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest
2019.7
© Romuald Hazoumè / SOCAN (2019)

VIDEO

Theo Eshetu Born in London in 1958



Atlas Fractured
2017
Colour video with sound, 2/5
Duration: 18 min 44 s
Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest
2019.6
© Theo Eshetu. Courtesy of the artist and
Axis Gallery, New York and New Jersey

ANCIENT CULTURES

CHINA

Han Dynasty (206 B.C.E.-220 C.E.)

Funerary Jar (guan) Earthenware, green lead glaze 12.5 cm (h.); 14.5 cm (diam.) Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.291

CHINA

Western Han dynasty (206 B.C.E.-9 C.E.)

Funerary Jar *(guan)*Porcellaneous stoneware, yellow-green glaze 23.6 cm (h.); 26.7 cm (diam.)
Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.304

Funerary Wine or Water Vessel (hu)
Porcellaneous stoneware, combed decoration,
yellow-green glaze
37 cm (h.); 30.6 cm (diam.)
Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family
2018.306

CHINA Eastern Han dynasty (25-220 C.E.)



Funerary Cosmetic or Condiment Vessel Earthenware, green lead glaze 9.5 × 16.5 × 15 cm Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018 307



Funerary Food Vessel (ding) Earthenware, green lead glaze $21 \times 24.5 \times 20.7$ cm Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.308



Funerary Incense Burner with Cover Earthenware, green lead glaze 19.5 cm (h.); 17.3 cm (diam.) Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.292.1-2



8 Funerary Models Earthenware, green lead glaze Various dimensions Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.293-294, 296, 298-302



Funerary Statuette: Rooster Earthenware, green lead glaze 14.7 × 14.9 × 6 cm Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.289

Funerary Steamer-Cooker Earthenware, green lead glaze 15.3 cm (h.); 19.3 cm (diam.) Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.297

Funerary Vase (hu) Earthenware, green lead glaze 12.1 cm (h.); 9.4 cm (diam.) Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.288



Funerary Wine Cup (yushang) and Wine Warmer Earthenware, green lead glaze Cup: 4.3 × 13.8 × 10.8 cm Wine warmer: 22.8 cm (h.); 20 cm (diam.) Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.295, 303

Funerary Wine or Water Vessel (hu) and Ladle Earthenware, green lead glaze Vessel: 37 cm (h.); 33 cm (diam.) Ladle: 12.1 x 20.3 x 14.5 cm Gift of the Guérin-van Oenen family 2018.290, 305



QUEBEC AND CANADIAN ART

INSTALLATIONS

Jocelyne Alloucherie

Born in Quebec City in 1947

Seuils 2 2018

Ink-jet print from a scanographic image, pressed wood painted with casein, 1/1 Printer: PhotoSynthèse, Montreal Photograph: 149.2 × 205.9 cm Architectural element: 108.5 × 206.5 × 61 cm Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2019.2.1-2

Dominique Blain Born in Montreal in 1957



Untitled/Protection Gelatin silver prints on polymeric film mounted on canvas, gilt frames, burlap bags Variable dimensions Gift of Erik Deslandres 2018.365.1-11

Shary Boyle Born in Scarborough, Ontario, in 1972



White Light 2010 Nylon, cotton, porcelain, hair, black light Variable dimensions Gift of the artist 2018.274

Rafael Lozano-Hemmer Born in Mexico City in 1967



1,000 Platitudes 2003 Chromogenic prints mounted on aluminum, video, artist's proof 3 panels of 300 \times 120 cm (each) Duration of video: 25 min Anonymous gift 2018.377.1-4 © Rafael Lozano-Hemmer / SOCAN (2019)

Kent Monkman Born in Saint Marys, Ontario, in 1965



Théâtre de Cristal 2007 Crystal, projector, chandelier, Group of Seven Inches video (2005, 7 min 31 s), 3/3 Anonymous gift 2018.287

Karine Payette Born in Montreal in 1983



The Other Saturday Morning (detail) Urethane, expanding foam, pigment, table, chair, Variable dimensions Purchase, Hamelys Fund 2018.33

Jana Sterbak Born in Prague in 1955

Planetarium (Montserrat Version) 2000-2002 Blown glass, aluminum tables 134.5 × 499.7 × 103 cm Purchase, through the generosity of Miriam Aaron Roland 2019.14 See page 61

Adrian Stimson

Born in Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario, in 1964



Beyond Redemption Taxidermied bison, bison hides, wood, polyurethane foam, polyester resin, alkyd paint $175 \times 725 \times 410 \text{ cm}$ Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest and gift in memory of Adrian Stimson Sr.

WORKS ON PAPER

Ernest Aubin

Montreal 1892 - Montreal 1963

View of the Life Class Studio at the Art Gallery, Montreal Ink over traces of graphite 10 × 15.5 cm Gift of Roxanne and Monique Dehaut 2018.216

1937 Charcoal, white and red chalk highlights 31.7 × 47.9 cm Gift of Roxanne and Monique Dehaut 2018.217



1937 Charcoal, gouache and white chalk highlights $61.8 \times 49.2 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Roxanne and Monique Dehaut 2018.218



Mosaic of Female Nudes (recto) Seated Female Nude (verso) 1938 Graphite, red chalk 58.6 × 36.9 cm Purchase, Cecil and Marguerite Buller Fund, and Christiane and Félix J. Furst Fund 2018.201.1-2

Front View of Seated Male Model 1939 Charcoal, white and coloured chalk highlights 61.6 × 48.4 cm Gift of Roxanne and Monique Dehaut 2018.219

Henri Beau Montreal 1863 – Paris 1949

Seated Female Nude 1933 Charcoal, red and white chalk, pastel highlights $29.7 \times 20.9 \text{ cm}$ Gift in memory of Norma Dewitta Morgan (1929-2010) 2018.422

Paul-Émile Borduas

Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1905 – Paris 1960

Still Life (Violin and Its Case on a Table) Charcoal, graphite $24.4 \times 31.5 \text{ cm}$ Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.228

Portrait of Young Girl 1923 Charcoal $63.2 \times 48.2 \text{ cm}$ 2018.229



7 Gouaches 1942 Gouache Various dimensions Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.220-221, 223-227 © Estate of Paul-Émile Borduas / SOCAN (2019)

Composition About 1958 Ink 76.1 × 55.7 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.222

Paul-Émile Borduas Saint-Hilaire, Ouebec, 1905 - Paris 1960

Ozias Leduc

Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1864 – Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, 1955

Glass on a Saucer (recto) Portrait of Young Man (verso) 1923 Graphite, gouache highlights (recto) Graphite (verso) 29.5 × 31.9 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.233.1-2

Fritz Brandtner

Danzig (now Gdańsk) 1896 – Montreal 1969



Three-quarter View of Seated Female Nude (recto and verso) About 1935 Ink, graphite (recto) Graphite (verso) 35.5 × 25.2 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.416.1-2

William Brymner Greenock, Scotland, 1855 – Wallasey, England, 1925



Standing Female Nude, Front View About 1880-1890 Charcoal, graphite, pastel highlights 36.3 × 25.5 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.417

Stanley Cosgrove

Montreal 1911 - Montreal 2002

Rural Mexican Women Ink over traces of graphite 39.9 × 32.3 cm Gift in the memory of Lucille Rouleau Ross (1926-2008) 2019.13

Greg Curnoe London, Ontario, 1936 – London 1992



Homage to Van Dongen # 2 July 16, 1979, December 18, 1980, February 13, Watercolour over traces of graphite 107 × 226.5 cm (sight) Gift in memory of Roy L. Heenan 2018.187 © Estate of Greg Curnoe / SOCAN (2019)

Jean Dallaire

Hull, Quebec, 1916 – Vence, France, 1965

Sketch for Tragedy 1947 Ink 25.4 × 20.2 cm Gift of Gian Carlo and Anna Biferali 2018.150

Charles Daudelin

Granby, Quebec, 1920 - Montreal 2001



Composition 1947 Gouache and collage on paper 30.5 × 23.1 cm Gift of R. Fournelle © Estate of Charles Daudelin / SOCAN (2019)

Edmond Dyonnet Crest, France, 1859 – Montreal 1954

Head of Young Man, in Profile About 1892-1895 Graphite 29 × 23.6 cm Gift in memory of Janet G. M. Harbron Braide (1926-1987) 2019.12



8 Sketches Farmer; 3 Bathers (recto) Seated Woman; Female Nude; Landscape; Farmer (verso) Early 20th c. Conté crayon, graphite (recto and verso) 28.1 × 21.6 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.418.1-2

Clarence Gagnon Montreal 1881 – Montreal 1942



Standing Male Nude, Front View About 1904-1905 Red chalk $26.7 \times 18.6 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.419

Standing Female Nude, Front View About 1904-1905 Graphite 26.6 × 20.4 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.424

Claudie Gagnon Born in Montreal in 1964



Skeleton Guardians 2018 Collage of xerographs mounted on foam board, paint, varnish, iridescent pigments 41.9 × 55.2 cm Purchase, Young Philanthropists' Circle Fund and André Dufour Fund 2018.136

Adrien Hébert

Paris 1890 – Montreal 1967

Standing Female Nude, Front View 1920s (?) Charcoal $63.7\times48.5~\text{cm}$ Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.425

Henri Hébert

Montreal 1884 - Montreal 1950

Seated Female Nude Sketch for the Pen and Pencil Club of Montreal 1918 Watercolour over traces of graphite 12.6 × 15.3 cm Gift of Paul Maréchal 2018.423

(To My Friend Coco) Back View of a Standing Female Nude with Shoes 1927 Charcoal, red chalk 31.8×23.8 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.420

Edwin Holgate

Allandale, Ontario, 1892 – Montreal 1977



Study (Woman) 1937 Gouache, watercolour (?), India ink, crayon, charcoal 42.6 × 49 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.260

Fernand Leduc



Cartoon for the Tapestry Stop in Perdita's Garden 1957 Gouache over traces of graphite, collage 190.7 × 91.3 cm Gift of Pierre Bruneau in memory of Bruno M. and Ruby Cormier 2018.427 © Estate of Fernand Leduc / SOCAN (2019)

Ozias Leduc

Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1864 - Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, 1955



Evening Light 1916 Graphite 13.8 × 12.2 cm Purchase, Joy Sedgewick-Shannon Memorial Fund 2018.356 © Estate of Ozias Leduc / SOCAN (2019)



Dominant Clouds From the series "Imaginations' 1936 Graphite, charcoal 14.1 × 16.3 cm Jeannine Beauchamp-Desaulniers Bequest 2018.362 © Estate of Ozias Leduc / SOCAN (2019)

Jean-Onésime Legault

Sainte-Justine-de-Newton, Quebec, 1882 -Montreal 1944

Front View of Seated Male Model 1939 Graphite 63.7 × 48.1 cm Gift of Gaëtan Dorion 2018.412

Back View of Standing Male Model Pulling On a Rope 1939 Graphite 63.8 × 48.5 cm Gift of Gaëtan Dorion 2018.413

Back View of Standing Male Model Holding a Board 1939 Graphite 63.7 × 48.5 cm Gift of Gaëtan Dorion 2018.414

Biddeford, Maine, 1886 – Kingsley, Barbados, 1967

Self-portrait with Female Model Posing in 1930s Charcoal, white chalk highlights $62.8 \times 47.8 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin 2018.138 See page 21

Back View of a Male Model 1930s Charcoal, stump $62.8 \times 47.8 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin 2018.139

Sleepina Woman (Nude) 1st half of 20th c. Graphite 31.1 × 47 cm Gift of Gian Carlo and Anna Biferali 2018.151

Marcel Marois

Born in Saint-Éphrem-de-Beauce, Quebec, in 1949

Zone No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4 2002 Watercolour on screen print, graphite 49.9 × 69.5 cm (each of the 4 watercolours) Gift of Roger Bellemare 2018.137.1-4

Jean-Paul Mousseau Montreal 1927 – Montreal 1991

Untitled About 1945 Gouache on cardboard 38.4 × 39.1 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.261

Jean-Paul Riopelle

Montreal 1923 - L'Isle-aux-Grues, Quebec, 2002



Untitled From the series "Un coude" 1986 Metal leaf on silkscreen prints, etching 43.1×51.7 cm Gift of Paul Maréchal 2018.211 © Estate of Jean Paul Riopelle / SOCAN (2019)

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Ernest Aubin

Montreal 1892 - Montreal 1963

Seated Male Nude 1928-1929 Oil on wood $20.6 \times 13.7 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Mario and Richard Contant 2018.428

Nude with Mirror About 1930 Oil on wood 27.3 × 12.9 cm Gift of Mario and Richard Contant 2018.429

Paul-Émile Borduas

Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1905 - Paris 1960

View of a Building and Arch Bridge Between 1928 and 1930 or later Oil on wood 24.6 × 33.2 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.259.1-2

Landscape (recto and verso) Between 1928 and 1930 or later Oil on pasteboard 22.7×16 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.263.1-2

Shespre (Meuse) 1929 Oil on cardboard 16.4 × 24.7 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.254

3 Pochades Executed in France About 1929 Oil and graphite on wood 13.6 × 22 cm (each) Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.231, 236-237

Portrait of Henriette Cheval About 1931 Oil on cardboard 20.6 × 13.7 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.265



View of a Backyard with Clothesline About 1932 Oil on academy board 15.5 × 23.4 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.235 © Estate of Paul-Émile Borduas / SOCAN (2019)

Church in Saint-Hilaire About 1933 Oil on plywood 24 × 32.9 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.230

Portrait of Simone Aubry Beaulieu About 1933 Oil on canvas board 22 × 16.5 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.247

Portrait of Gabrielle Goyette About 1934 Oil on plywood 22 × 14 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.266

Gaspé Landscape (Rivière-au-Renard) 1938 Oil on plywood 13.8 × 22.1 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.232

Gaspé Landscape 1938 Oil and graphite on wood 23.6 × 33 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.262.1-2

Portrait of Laurette, Known as Mignonne 1930s Oil on plywood 22.2 × 14 cm Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.234



Onions About 1941 Oil on laminate cardboard 22.8 × 26.6 cm Renée Borduas Bequest © Estate of Paul-Émile Borduas / SOCAN (2019)

QUEBEC AND CANADIAN ART (CONT'D)

Tammi Campbell Born in Calgary in 1974

Works in Progress (Studies) 2012 Acrylic and graphite on cardboard 97 × 81 cm Gift of Maude Lévesque in memory of Pascal Champoux 2018.410

Paper Series 2014 Folded acrylic paint skin, mounted on cardboard 39.5 × 33 cm Gift of Maude Lévesque in memory of Pascal Champoux 2018.411

Alberta Cleland

Montreal 1876 - Cushing, Quebec, 1960

Low Tide, Beaupré About 1896-1904 2 oil paintings on panel 11.5 × 21.5 cm (each) Jeannine Beauchamp-Desaulniers Bequest 2018.359-360

Marcelle Ferron

Louiseville, Quebec, 1924 – Montreal 2001



L'Échourie 1965 Oil on paper mounted on canvas 114.3 × 162.3 cm Gift of Jacques and Céline Lamarre 2018.375 © Œuvres Ferron / SOCAN (2019)

Marc-Aurèle Fortin

Sainte-Rose, Quebec, 1888 - Macamic, Quebec, 1970



Impression of Fall, Edmonton, Alberta Between 1907 and 1919 Oil on canvas Jeannine Beauchamp-Desaulniers Bequest © Fondation Marc-Aurèle Fortin / SOCAN (2019) Louise Gadbois Montreal 1896 – Montreal 1985



Portrait of Gabrielle Borduas Oil on plywood $56\times45.8~\text{cm}$ Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.264

Prudence Heward Montreal 1896 – Los Angeles 1947



Summertime Between 1936 and 1939 Oil on plywood $36.2 \times 30.4 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Eric Klinkhoff 2018.203

Mathieu Lefèvre Edmonton 1981 – New York 2011



Rotten Tomatoes 2011 Oil on canvas 142.8 × 122 cm Gift of the Mathieu Lefèvre family Arthur Lismer Sheffield, England, 1885 - Montreal 1969



Beach Texture II 1952 Oil on plywood 40.6 × 50.8 cm Gift of Eric Klinkhoff 2018.204

Ron Martin

Born in London, Ontario, in 1943

Union of Opposites, Mars Black From the series "2-8-32-128" September 9-23, 1985 Acrylic on canvas 244.3 × 122 cm Gift of Richard and Arlene Leibtag 2018.271



Unknown No. 9 January 18-19, 1987 Acrylic on canvas 183.2 × 183 cm Gift of Richard and Arlene Leibtag © CARCC, 2020



A Confusion of Shapes From the series "Black, White and Grey Paintings' April 4-15, 1988 Acrylic on canvas 183.2 × 152.8 cm Gift of Richard and Arlene Leibtag 2018.273 © CARCC, 2020

Manuel Mathieu Born in Port-au-Prince in 1986

Self-portrait 2017 Acrylic, oil stick, charcoal, spray paint, chalk and masking tape on canvas 177.8 × 203.2 cm Purchase, Hélène Couture Fund 2018.195

Michael Merrill

Born in Montreal in 1953

12 Paintings Inspired by the Museum's Architecture From the series "Inner Space 2009, 2010, 2011 Vinyl paint on plywood Various dimensions Gift of Pierre Bourgie 2018.275-286 See page 3

Kent Monkman

Born in Saint Marys, Ontario, in 1965



Miss America 2012 Acrylic on canvas 214 × 336 cm Gift of Jacques and Céline Lamarre 2018.373

Kathleen Moir Morris Montreal 1893 - Rawdon, Quebec, 1986



Gardens of the Grand Séminaire, Montreal (recto) Still Life with Houseplant (verso) After 1932 Oil on cardboard 45.3 × 40.2 cm Purchase, Christine and Pierre Lapointe Fund, and Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.190.1-2

Preparatory Sketch for Beaver Hall Hill, Montreal 1936 or before Oil on plywood 35.5 × 30.3 cm Purchase, gift of R. Fournelle and Joy Sedgewick-Shannon Memorial Fund 2019.8 See opposite

Natalie Reis

Born in Montreal in 1981



Handle with Care 2013-2018 Acrylic on canvas 167.8 × 228.4 × 4.5 cm Gift of Natalie Reis © Natalie Reis / SOCAN (2019) Marcel Saint-Pierre Born in Montreal in 1944



A Walk on the Wet Side From the series "Déluge 1990-1992 Acrylic film bonded to canvas $300 \times 400 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Marcel Saint-Pierre 2018.148

Jean Soucy

L'Isle-Verte, Quebec, 1915 – Quebec City 2003



About 1943-1944 Oil on canvas 71.3 × 60.8 cm Purchase, gift of R. Fournelle 2018.141

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Arwa Abouon

Born in Tripoli, Libya, in 1982



I'm Sorry / I Forgive You 2 ink-jet prints, artist's proof 1/3 77.2 × 102.5 cm (each) Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.205.1-2



Healing the Natural Way One on One 3 ink-jet prints Purchase, Canada Council for the Arts' New Chapter program 2018.132.1-3



QUEBEC AND CANADIAN ART (CONT'D)

Jocelyne Alloucherie Born in Quebec City in 1947



Sables rouges From the series "Climats 2010, print 2014 Ink-jet prints from scanographic images on polyethylene (Tyvek), 2/2 Printer: PhotoSynthèse, Montreal 259 x 152.6 cm (each of the 7 panels) Gift of Jocelyne Alloucherie 2018.364.1-7

Paul-Émile Borduas

Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1905 – Paris 1960

18 Photographs Taken in the Gaspé Peninsula Gelatin silver prints Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.238-246, 248-253, 255-256, 258

Born in Niagara Falls, Ontario, in 1946



Young Juggler on Wooden Ball From the series "Cirque Series: Works by Celluloso Evergonni" 1989 Colour Polaroid $232 \times 110.3 \text{ cm}$ Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.27

Julie Favreau

Born in Quebec City in 1981



From the series "Délicat Pulse" 2016 Ink-jet print, 3/3 81.3 × 106.7 cm Purchase, thanks to the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' sponsorship of the artist's studio in the Darling Foundry 2018.372

Lorraine Gilbert



12 Photographs From the series "Le patrimoine" 2006, 2007 and 2009 Ink-jet prints, 1/5 Various dimensions Anonymous gift 2018.160-171

Angela Grauerholz Born in Hamburg in 1952



Sententia Special Edition No. 63 Gelatin silver print . 119.4 × 82.4 cm (sight) Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest 2018.188

Serge Emmanuel Jongué Aix-en-Provence 1951 — Montreal 2006

Nomad Series 1987-1991, prints 1991 20 gelatin silver prints, ink, 1/1 50.5×20.7 cm (each) Gift of Marie-José Lacour 2019.21.1-20

Objects of Memory #2 Series 1994-2005, posthumous prints 2007 20 ink-jet prints, 1/1 Printed by Alix & Gagné, Montreal 51 × 35.5 cm or 35.5 × 51 cm (each) Gift of Marie-José Lacour 2019.23.1-20

Cuban Suite 2002-2005, prints about 2005 50 ink-jet prints, masking tape, felt pen, 1/128 × 21.7 cm (each) Gift of Marie-José Lacour 2019.22.1-50

Michel Lamothe

Born in Saint-Louis-de-France, Quebec, in 1949

Untitled 1982-1983, prints 2018 20 gelatin silver prints, 1/5 Approx. 40.7 × 50.8 cm (each) Gift of René Lamothe 2018.368.1-20

Wallace R. MacAskill

St. Peter's, Nova Scotia, 1887 – Ferguson's Cove, Nova Scotia, 1956

The Starboard Lookout Gelatin silver print 13.8 × 9.8 cm Gift in memory of Ian and Beverly Macfarlane 2018.202

Natascha Niederstrass



Alley No. 2 (Dead End) Digital ink-jet print on cardboard, 1/3 101.7 × 86.5 cm Purchase, Young Philanthropists' Circle Fund and André Dufour Fund 2018.154

Shroud, Coffin and Corpse Digital ink-jet print on cardboard, 2/3 90 × 125 cm Gift of the artist 2018.156

Jon Rafman



Jigokudani Monkey Park, Yamanouchi, Japan From the series "The Nine Eyes of Google Street View" Ink-jet print, 1/1 100.4 × 161.6 cm (sight) Gift in memory of Roy L. Heenan

Kim Waldron Born in Montreal in 1979



From the series "Beautiful Creatures 2010, 2013 Ink-jet prints Various dimensions Gift of Margot Eleanor and Thomas Henry Ross **SCULPTURE**

Paul-Émile Borduas Saint-Hilaire, Quebec, 1905 – Paris 1960

3 Sculptures 1951 Wood Approx. 30 cm (h.) (each) Renée Borduas Bequest 2018.268-270

Melvin Charney Montreal 1935 – Montreal 2012

Cities on the Run... Tenements on the Move 1996-1998 Partially varnished wood 67 × 170.6 × 21.3 cm Gift of Dr. Dara Charney 2018.366

Cities on the Run... Blocks Running Scared 1997-1998 Partially varnished wood 66.5 × 172.8 × 32.8 cm Gift of Dr. Dara Charney 2018.367

André Fournelle

Born in Kingston upon Hull, England, in 1939



White Charcoal From the series "Black Fire" 2009 Natural black charcoal, charcoal ash, titanium-white

coloured charcoal, Plexiglas cases 152.3 × 152.3 × 4.4 cm (each element) Gift of André Fournelle 2018.189.1-3

Henri Hébert

Montreal 1884 – Montreal 1950



Flapper 1927 Bronze 50 × 20.5 × 12.3 cm Gift of Jean-Marie Saint-Georges 2018.421

Louis-Philippe Hébert Sainte-Sophie-d'Halifax, Quebec, 1850 – Westmount, Quebec, 1917

Woodland Flower 1897 Bronze Cast R. Hohwiller, Paris $53.3\times39.8\times16.5~\text{cm}$ Gift in memory of Michel Moreault 2018.415



Édouard Richard Patinated plaster . 33 × 21.3 × 4 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q.

Alfred Laliberté

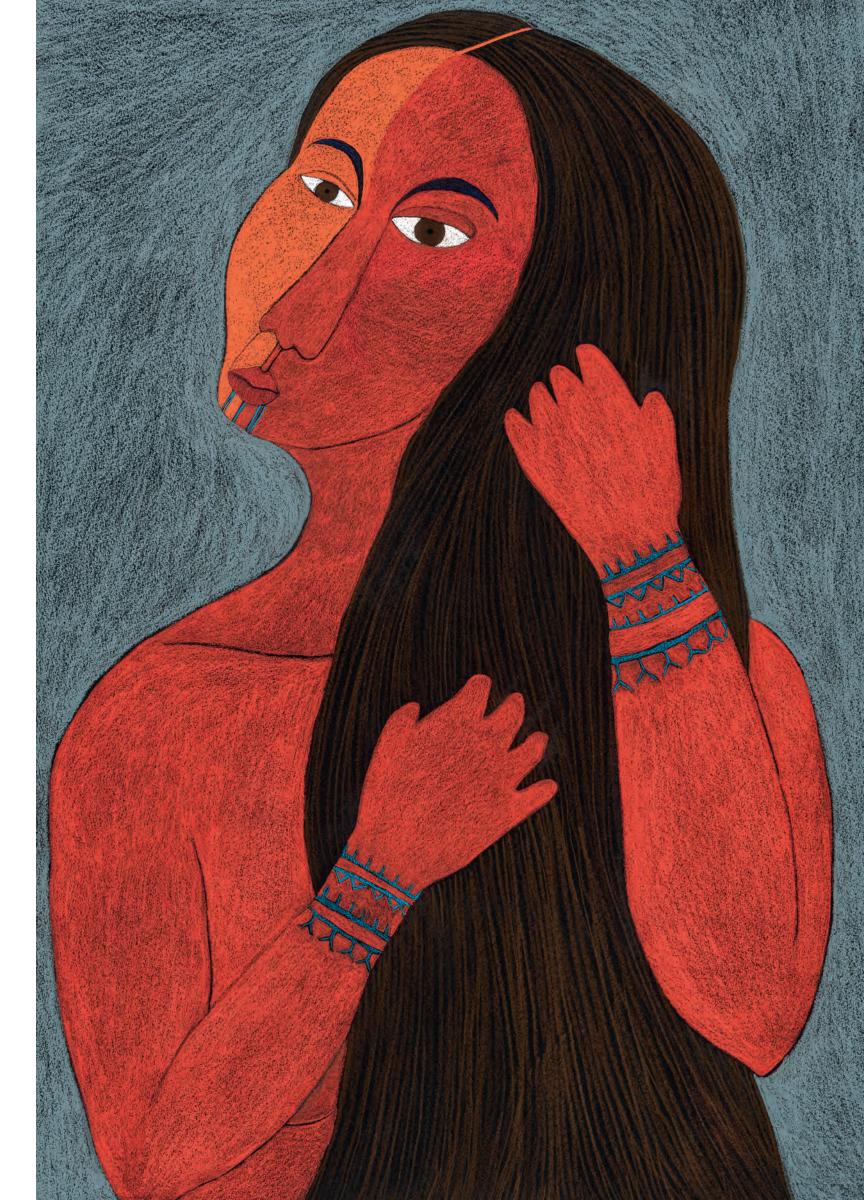
Sainte-Élisabeth-de-Warwick, Quebec, 1877 -

Between 1904 and 1924, or 1929 Patinated plaster 17.8 × 7.5 × 9.4 cm Gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin 2019.3



Female Nude Between 1904 and 1924, or 1929 Bronze Cast Andro, Paris 17.5 × 7.2 × 9.3 cm Gift of Mr. Jean-Pierre Valentin 2019.4

Maquette for the Dollard des Ormeaux Monument in Parc La Fontaine, Montreal 1911 Terracotta 26.6 × 19.2 × 17.5 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q.



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Robert Tait McKenzie Almonte, Ontario, 1867 – Philadelphia 1938



Maguette for The Call 1914 1923-1924 Plaster 24.7 × 14.2 × 13.5 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2018.370

Natascha Niederstrass Born in Montreal in 1973



Fragment No. 1 (Marble Hand) Resin, dolomite powder, steel, painted MDF $157 \times 18 \times 18$ cm Purchase, Young Philanthropists' Circle Fund and André Dufour Fund 2018.155

Elzéar Soucy

Saint-Onésime-d'Ixworth, Quebec, 1876 -Montreal 1970

Maquette for the Louis-Hippolyte La Fontaine Monument in Parc La Fontaine, Montreal 1922 Patinated plaster

40.5 × 15 × 15.9 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. Kim Waldron Born in Montreal in 1979



Taxidermied animal heads Various dimensions Purchase, gift of Margot Eleanor and Thomas Henry Ross, and Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest

From the series "Beautiful Creatures"

MIXED MEDIA

N.E. Thing Co. Vancouver, 1966-1978



Untitled 1968 Nylon screen and nylon ribbon on vinyl film, wood 168.5 × 138.5 cm Gift of David and Julie Moos, Alistair Mitchell and Naomi Margo 2018.376

VIDEO

Graeme Patterson

Born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, in 1980

2013 Stop-motion animated video, 3/5 Duration: 39 min 9 s Gift of Graeme Patterson 2019.1

Paul Walde

Born in London in 1968



Requiem for a Glacier Two-channel HD video, 1/5 Duration: 40 min Purchase, Horsley and Annie Townsend Bequest, Ginette Trépanier Bequest, the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' Employee Fund, Deirdre M. Stevenson, François R. Roy and George R. MacLaren funds 2018.199

INUIT ART -INSTALLATIONS

Nancy Saunders (Niap) Born in Kuujjuaq, Nunavik, in 1986



bC^ヶケレイペ^cさ^c Katajjausivallaat the Cradled Rhythm 2018 Brazilian steatite, wire, sound recordings, headphones, pedestals Various dimensions Purchase, Dr. Francis J. Shepherd Bequest 2018.363.1-3

INUIT ART -**WORKS ON PAPER**

Saimaiyu Akesuk

Born in Iqaluit, Nunavut, in 1988 Active in Cape Dorset, Nunavut



Composition (Purple Rear) Wax crayon over traces of graphite, on black paper Purchase, Geraldine C. Chisholm Bequest

Shuvinai Ashoona

Born in Cape Dorset, Nunavut, in 1961



Composition (Monster Eating the World) 2018 Coloured pencil, felt pen $38.3 \times 58.8 \text{ cm}$ Purchase, Mary Eccles Bequest 2018.319



Composition (Art Makes You Happy) Coloured pencil and felt pen over traces of graphite Purchase, Jean Agnes Reid Fleming Bequest

Qavavau Manumie

Born in Brandon, Manitoba, in 1958 Active in Cape Dorset, Nunavut

Homage to Shaman Ancestors 2007 Coloured pencil, felt pen, graphite 69.9 × 126.9 cm Purchase, Hermina Thau and David R. Morrice Bequests 2018.18



Sheltering in the Glass Vase 2015 Coloured pencil, felt pen, graphite 76.3 × 58.7 cm Purchase, Mary Eccles and Jean Agnes Reid Fleming 2018.17

Pudlo Pudlat

Ilupirulik camp, near Amadjuak, Nunavut, 1916 – Cape Dorset, Nunavut, 1992

Untitled (Hunters and Seals) Acrylic wash, felt pen, coloured pencil 30.2 × 38.3 cm Gift of Mark and Stephanie London

Untitled (Overflying Plane and Boats) 1977 Acrylic wash, felt pen, coloured pencil 57×76.4 cm Gift of Mark and Stephanie London 2018.214



Untitled (Airplanes Over Peaks) 1989 Coloured pencil, felt pen Gift of Mark and Stephanie London @ Reproduced with the permission of Dorset Fine Arts

Ouvianagtuk Pudlat Born in Cape Dorset, Nunavut, in 1962



Composition (Mystic Wolf) Coloured pencil and felt pen over traces of graphite 38.4 × 58.7 cm Purchase, Hermina Thau Bequest 2018.317



Composition (Powerful Caribou) Coloured pencil and felt pen over traces of graphite 58.8×76.3 cm Purchase, David R. Morrice Bequest 2018.318

Padloo Samayualie Born in Cape Dorset, Nunavut, in 1977



Lock Bicycle to Post Coloured pencil and felt pen over traces of graphite 58.7 × 38.3 cm Purchase, Margaret A. Reid Bequest 2018.322

Ningiukulu Teevee

Born in Cape Dorset, Nunavut, in 1963

Nujangit - Her Hair Wax crayon and coloured pencil over traces of graphite, on black paper 76.8 × 56.5 cm Purchase, Serge Desroches Bequest 2018.315 See page 47



Wax crayon and graphite on black paper $76.8 \times 56.6 \text{ cm}$ Purchase, Serge Desroches Bequest 2018.316

DECORATIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

Robert Archambeau

Born in Toledo, Ohio, in 1933

1985 20.7 cm (h.); 27.9 cm (diam.)

Partially glazed stoneware, patinated bronze Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.336

Gilles Beaugrand

Montreal 1906 – Laval, Quebec, 2005

Ladle About 1940 Silver 46.9 × 12.3 × 6.8 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.28

Marie-Hélène Reaulieu

Born in Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec, in 1979

Sébastien Duchange

Born in Saint-Gobain, France, in 1977

Measuring Cups 2014 Blown, cut and polished borosilicate glass, gold Various dimensions Purchase, Ruth Jackson Bequest 2018.192.1-7

Louis-Jacques Berger

Active in Paris from 1798

Chalice 1807-1809 Silver, silver gilt 28.7 cm (h.); 15.3 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.40

Jeannot Blackburn

Dunham, Quebec, 1959 – Montreal 1996

Candlestick About 1981 Glazed earthenware $36.4 \times 18.4 \times 20 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.337

Bonbonnière 1989 Glazed earthenware 26.6 × 10.7 × 8.8 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.338

Charles-Antoine Blerzy
Active in Paris from 1799-1800

1798-1809 Silver, silver ailt 10.9 cm (h.); 5.2 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.36.1-5

Marguerite Bourgoin (widow of Philippe Regnault) Active in Paris from 1671

Aspersorium 1671-1672 Silver, lead (?) $20.6\times9.8\times5.8~\text{cm}$ Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.43

Jean-Charles Cahier

Soissons, France, 1772 - Soissons 1849

Cruets 1798-1809 Silver gilt $16 \times 8.5 \times 6.2$ cm (each) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.33.1-2

Incense Boat 1798-1809 Silver 13.3 × 16.7 × 9.2 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.34

Nacho Carbonell

Born in Valencia, Spain, in 1980



Time is a Treasure VIII From the series "Time is a Treasure" 2013 Bronze, blue agate, clock $55.5 \times 38 \times 31$ cm Purchase, Suzanne Caouette Bequest 2018.196

John Chalke

Newent, England, 1940 – Calgary 2014

2 Plates 1988-1989 Stoneware, dull glaze $4.7 \times 33 \times 30.5$ cm 5.2 × 39 × 26.3 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.339.1-2

Victor Cicansky

Born in Regina, Saskatchewan, in 1935

From the series "Pantry and Jars" 1980 Glazed earthenware 15.1 cm (h.); 10 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.329



Armchair Man with Vegetables From the series "Chairs' Painted and glazed earthenware $42.5 \times 35.5 \times 30 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg

Bruce Cochrane

Born in Vancouver in 1953

Serving Dish About 1992 Partially glazed earthenware 19 × 41 × 14 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.340

Dear Human

Duo formed in Vancouver in 2009 Jasna Sokolovic Born in Sarajevo in 1971 Noel O'Connell Born in Madison, Wisconsin, in 1976

Stacking Baskets with Strap From the series "Or Something In Between" 2016 Recycled paper, ink, paint, nylon, galvanized steel $42.5 \times 23 \times 21$ cm Purchase, Ruth Jackson Bequest 2018.140.1-3

Design Collaborative Montreal Ltd.

Montreal, 1965-1977

The Visual Image of the Munich Games 1972 1972 Offset lithograph $89.6 \times 30.2 \text{ cm}$ The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Collection 2018.346

Sébastien Duchange

Born in Saint-Gobain, France, in 1977



Ready-Made No. 3 From the series "Ready-Made" 2014 Hot-worked, lamp-blown soda-lime glass $33.7 \times 26 \times 8.9$ cm (approx.) Purchase, T. R. Meighen Family Fund 2018.191 © Sébastien Duchange / SOCAN (2019)

Duo formed in Montreal in 2016 Hannah Rose Dalton Born in Auckland, New Zealand, in 1995 Steven Raj Bhaskaran Born in Montreal in 1993



Skin Heels Boots Silicone, nylon, polycarbonate, fibreglass $80 \times 24 \times 14$ cm (approx.) (each) Purchase, William Gilman Cheney Bequest 2019.15.1-2

Robert "Irish" Flynn

Born in Teaneck, New Jersey, in 1944

Untitled From the series "Vortex Pot" Between 1985 and 1989 Partially glazed earthenware $66.7 \times 29.8 \times 15.8 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg

Léopold L. Foulem

2018.333

Born in Bathurst, New Brunswick, in 1945

Cup and Saucer 1986 Glazed earthenware $9.7 \times 10.5 \times 11.3$ cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.341

Cup and Saucer 1986 Glazed earthenware $11.9 \times 17.1 \times 14.6 \text{ cm}$ Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.342

Cup and Saucer with Leaves From the series "Structures & Armatures" 1992 Ceramic, found objects 15.2 cm (h.); 14.1 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.343

Nicolas Auguste Franckson Active in Paris from 1801

Censer

1819 Silver

28.8 cm (h.); 12 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joval, P.C., O.C., O.O. 2019.38

Donald Friedlich

Born in Montclair, New Jersey, in 1954

Brooch From the series "Magnification" 2013 Etched, cold-worked and press-moulded glass, gold $7.3 \times 7.5 \times 2$ cm Gift of Donald Friedlich

2018.409 Mario Gagnon for ALTO DESIGN

Born in Saint-Hermas, Ouebec, in 1953

Proposed Design for Dinnerware and Flatware 2004 Walnut, resin, porcelain $11.4\times55.8\times35.5~\text{cm}$ Gift of Mario Gagnon, industrial designer 2018.149.1-13

lean-Louis Galliot

Active in Lyons, before 1813-after 1850



1818-1819 Silver, silver gilt 25.2 cm (h.); 11.9 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.41.1-2

David Gilhooly

Auburn, California, 1943 – Newport, Oregon, 2013

Frog Cookie Jar 1973-1974 Painted and glazed earthenware 32.7 × 42.5 × 29.2 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.344.1-108



Late Afternoon Snack 1983 Painted and glazed earthenware, wood 28.8 × 43.8 × 30.5 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.324

Ham and Cheese About 1983 Painted and glazed earthenware 16.3 × 14.7 × 13.1 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.325

Gottschalk + Ash Ltd.

Founded in Montreal in 1966

Dada 1916-1966 1971 Silkscreer Printed by The Simpson Press Ltd., Montreal, for the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts 81.9 × 41.8 cm The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Collection 2018.193

Denise Goyer

Born in Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville, Quebec, in 1947 and

Alain Bonneau

Born in Montreal in 1946

La théière Teapot Glazed earthenware $11 \times 25 \times 23.2$ cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018 323 1-2

Kino Guérin

Born in Sacré-Cœur, Quebec, in 1974

Nebula Console Table 2011 (example of 2018) Bent laminated plywood and walnut veneer 82 × 153 × 36 cm Gift of Kino Guérin 2018.172

Guillaume René Hardye

Active in Angers, France, 1742-1775

Spoon and Fork Between 1742 and 1775 Silver Spoon: 19 × 4.2 × 2.5 cm Fork: $18.2 \times 2.5 \times 1.9 \text{ cm}$ Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.30.1-2

Renate Heywood

Born in Munich in 1944

Still Life with Sea Shell 1990 Glazed earthenware, painted decoration (maiolica) $122 \times 43 \times 42$ cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.345

DECORATIVE ARTS AND DESIGN (CONT'D)

Born in Brno. Czechoslovakia. in 1944

Milan Lapka

Brno, Czechoslovakia, 1942 – Montreal 1999

Motherhood 1975 Glazed stoneware 65.5 × 35.8 × 18.9 cm Gift of Eva Lapka 2018.157

General 1980 Glazed stoneware 48.2 × 38 × 30 cm Gift of Eva Lapka 2018.158.1-3

Fountain 1984 Glazed and gilded earthenware $52 \times 27 \times 20$ cm Gift of Eva Lapka 2018.159

Jean-Charles Lefèvre Master in Paris from 1747, died in 1759



Chalice 1749-1750 Silver, silver gilt 29.2 cm (h.); 16.4 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.32

Jean-Ange-Joseph Loque Active in Paris from 1777

Incense Boat 1798-1809 Silver 10.3 × 15.2 × 6.8 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.42

Yves Louis-Seize

Born in Saint-André-Avellin, Quebec, in 1950

Vase 1981 Stoneware, dull glaze 28.2 cm (h.); 20 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.347

Magenta Workshop

Founded in Aminadav, Israel, in 1992

3 Christmas Cabinets UV print on plywood, plastic laminate, steel Various dimensions Purchase, Rhéal Dallaire Fund 2018.378-380

Master "L.C." Active in Arras, France

Chalice 1798-1809

Silver, silver gilt 25.8 cm (h.); 14.4 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.39

Paul Mathieu

Born in Bouchette, Quebec, in 1954

Plate 1977 Glazed earthenware 3 cm (h.); 24 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.326

Conceptual Flower Vase with Flower From the series "Folded Flower Vases

Partially glazed stoneware, glazed earthenware 24.3 × 27.9 × 22.5 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.327

Untitled Vase From the series "Thrown Flower Vases' 1989

Glazed stoneware 28.6 cm (h.); 13.8 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.328

The Will to Will – La volonté de vouloir 1991

Glazed earthenware 26.3 × 40 × 46 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.348.1-8

Jean François Mézard Active in Paris from 1798

and Favier Frères (lunula)

Active in Lyons from 1824

Monstrance 1819 (lunula: after 1838) Silver, silver gilt, glass 50.5 × 16 × 10.8 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.35

Richard Milette

Born in L'Assomption, Quebec, in 1960



Lekythos 11-3294 1986 Ceramic 38.2 cm (h.); 12.8 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.349

Jean-Paul Mousseau Montreal 1927 - Montreal 1991

Scarf 1947 Silk, paint, thread 90×85 cm Renée Borduas Bequest

2018.267 Zoë Mowat

Born in Edmonton in 1985

Arbor Jewellery Stand 2013 (example of 2018) Painted wood, brass, stone, felt, mirror, 3/5 $32.5 \times 43.5 \times 10.2$ cm Purchase, Dr. Brian K. Stonehocker Fund 2018.78.1-4

Wayne Ngan

Born in Guangzhou, China, in 1937

About 1987 Glazed stoney 40.3 cm (h.); 22.5 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.350

Matthias Ostermann Wangen im Allgäu, Germany, 1950 — Montreal 2009

Platter 1990s Glazed earthenware (majolica), sgraffito 7.5 × 60.4 × 17.3 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.351

Walter Ostrom

Born in Binghamton, New York, in 1944

Fish Vase with Greek Pot Partially glazed earthenware (maiolica) 26.8 × 24.5 × 7.5 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.334

Pierre Paraud

Active in Paris from 1800, died in 1815

Censer 1800-1809 Silver 26.1 cm (h.); 12.5 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joval, P.C., O.C., O.O. 2019.37

Born in Edmonton in 1956

Teapot Partially glazed earthenware, terra sigillata, slip 31 cm (h.); 24 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.352

Mireille Perron

Born in Montreal in 1957

Elements Vase 1984 Painted and glazed earthenware 62 × 53.5 × 23 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.353

Gio Ponti Milan 1891 – Milan 1979



Tutto Passa [All Things Pass] Tile Between 1923 and 1930 Glazed earthenware, painted decoration Produced by Società ceramica Richard-Ginori, Milan, San Cristoforo Manufactory, Italy $25.3 \times 25.3 \times 1$ cm Gift of Elizabeth Morgan and James Morgan in memory of Frederick Cleveland Morgan

Alexis Porcher

Master in Paris from 1725

Chalice 1737-1738 Silver, silver gilt 28.3 cm (h.); 15.4 cm (diam.) Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.31

Anastasia Radevich

Born in Minsk, Belarus, in 1981



ALBEDO - FLOWER OF LIFE 2015 Cowhide, ABS $25 \times 20 \times 10$ cm Purchase, T. R. Meighen Family Fund 2018.75

Raw Edges

Founded in London in 2007

Kenny Armchair 2016 Fibreglass, polyurethane foam, wool and viscose upholstery, varnished oak Produced by Moroso, Cavalicco, Italy Hallingdal 65 Fabric designed by Nanna Ditzel (1923-2005), produced by Kvadrat, Ebeltoft, Denmark

83 × 105 × 54 cm Purchase, Suzanne Caouette Bequest 2018.173

Shay Salehi Born in Toronto in 1993



Constructed Bowl From the series "Pâte de verre" 2016 Pâte de verre, pigments $37 \times 37 \times 21$ cm Purchase, T. R. Meighen Family Fund 2018.32

Lisette Savaria

Born in McMasterville, Quebec, in 1947

Mayflies Bowl From the series "Éphémères" 1983 Porcelain, gold, glaze 5.7 cm (h.); 22.1 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.332

Maurice Savoie

Sherbrooke, Quebec, 1930 - Longueuil, Quebec, 2013

Untitled About 1987 Painted, partially glazed earthenware, slip $27.5 \times 12.7 \times 12.3$ cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.335

Chris Schanck Born in Pittsburgh in 1975



Alufoil (Arcade Mirror) 2016 Polystyrene, aluminum foil, metal, resin $127 \times 274 \times 30.5$ cm Purchase, Suzanne Caouette Bequest 2018.197

Jack Sures

Brandon, Manitoba, 1934 – Regina, Saskatchewan,

Untitled

1986 Porcelain, underglaze pencil 7.2 cm (h.); 33.9 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg

Jim Thomson

2018.331

Ottawa 1953 – East Aldfield, Quebec, 2013

About 1987 Glazed stoneware 27.5 cm (h.); 57.2 cm (diam.) Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.354

Untitled About 2005 Painted and glazed earthenware 24.3 × 48.5 × 27.7 cm Gift of Barbara and Philip Silverberg 2018.355

Henry de Triqueti

Conflans-sur-Loing, France, 1803 - Paris 1874

Ewer of the Israelite Mothers 1835 Bronze 39.1 × 18 × 15.3 cm Purchase, gift of Dominique Joyal 2018.357 See opposite

Raymond Vinsac

1742-1781, active in Toulouse from 1773



Ceres Award of the Toulouse Stock Exchange 1775 Silver 37 × 10.1 × 10.1 cm Gift of the Honourable Serge Joyal, P.C., O.C., O.Q. 2019.29

Thaddeus Wolfe

Born in Toledo, Ohio, in 1979

Assemblage 2016 Mould-blown glass, polished and ground $25.4 \times 10.8 \times 10$ cm

Purchase, Suzanne Caouette Bequest 2018.76



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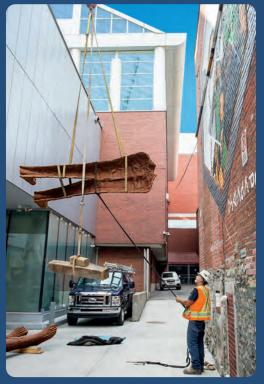
Magdalena Abakanowicz (1930-2017)

Walking Figures, 2005.

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ARTE MUSICA - 2018-2019 SEASON - YEAR 8 250 CONCERTS AND EDUCATIONAL MUSIC ACTIVITIES FOR 53,072 PEOPLE

In its 11th year in residence at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and 8th season at Bourgie Hall, Arte Musica presented 250 music events, compared with 216 the previous year. They were attended by a total of 53,072 people, representing a 22% increase and an absolute record since the organization's founding! From September 14, 2018, to June 16, 2019, the music program offered at the Museum included:

203 CONCERTS FOR 51.531 SPECTATORS

- 107 concerts presented by Arte Musica at Bourgie Hall (31 003 spectators)
- 89 concerts presented by companies and musical organizations that rented Bourgie Hall (20.528 spectators)
- 7 in situ concerts presented by Arte Musica in Museum galleries (undetermined attendance)

47 EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR 1,541 PEOPLE IN VARIOUS MUSEUM LOCATIONS

ARTE MUSICA'S PROGRAM

Our artistic choices continue to be guided by a desire to present diverse music genres, to promote the discovery of repertoire and wonderfu performers, and by the quest for excellence. In keeping with our mission, part of our programming is inspired by exhibitions on view at the Museum. Our concerts also incorporate other disciplines, such as circus, dance and film.

BOURGIE HALL CONCERTS

This season, six concerts echoed the exhibition Alexander Calder: Radical Inventor, while two concerts and a lecture were presented in connection with the exhibition Resplendent Illuminations: Books of Hours from the 13th to the 16th Century in Quebec Collections.

One of our main themes was French music. The Couperin Days series marked the 350th anniversary of the birth of the important 18th-century composer François Couperin and featured, for the first time in Quebec, the renowned French vocal and instrumental ensemble Les Talens Lyriques. The extraordinarily talented Jordi Savall and his ensemble, the Concert des Nations, performed the soundtrack of the film *Tous les matins du monde*. In addition, the great Canadian pianist Louis Lortie played three very popular concerts at Bourgie Hall – two devoted to Fauré and one in due with Hélène Mercier recorded by medici ty

Bach was in the spotlight in the five concerts of the Bach Rendezvous series as well as in the eight concerts featured in Year 5 of Arte Musica's Complete Bach Cantatas series. The majority of these concerts continue to regularly sell out.

Also of note this year was the creation of the Musical Odyssey series highlighting world music and giving free rein to many aesthetic crossovers.

Despite a steady increase in the number of concerts at Bourgie Hall, the attendance rate has remained relatively stable over the past few years. It stands at 63% this season, compared with 61% last year, an excellent result considering the large number and range of concerts presented. Some 20 concerts were sold out. Among the most popular, aside from the Complete Bach Cantatas, were the Violons du Roy, the Jazz 5 à 7 series, the holiday concerts and the many performances given by international artists (countertenor Andreas Scholl, cellist Jean-Guiher Queyras, pianists Christian Blackshaw, Yefim Bronfman and Khatia Buniatishvili, as well as the fabulous King's Singers in their first concert at Bourgie Hall) and Canadian performers (contralto Marie-Nicole Lemieux, baritone Philippe Sly, pianist Charles Richard-Hamelin and, of course, the musicians of the OSM)

Finally, Arte Musica continued to develop co-production and co-presentation partnerships with many organizations. In 2018-2019, new partnerships were formed with two major international organizations, the Queen Elisabeth Music Chapel (Brussels) and the Palazzetto Bru Zane (Venice), as well as a Canadian organization, the Azrieli Music Prizes (Toronto).

TICKET PRICES AND BREAKDOWN OF SALES

Arte Musica maintained its affordable pricing to encourage accessibility. The average ticket price for the general public was \$44.66 (taxes and fees included), with discounts of 15% for Museum members, 50% for people aged 34 and under, and 20% to 30% on multiple-concert purchases or series subscriptions. We also offered special promotions and group sales.

It is noteworthy that Museum members made up 45% of all ticket purchases for concerts at Bourgie Hall, which underscores the importance of the partnership between Arte Musica and the MMFA.

IN SITU CONCERTS

In addition to the concerts at Bourgie Hall, Arte Musica presented two programs in the Museum's galleries – a piece inspired by the *Alexander Calder* exhibition in the Hall of Bronzes (three performances) and a piano work by Canadian composer Ann Southam in the Claire and Marc Bourgie Pavilion (four performances) – thus immersing visitors in art and music

GUEST PRESENTERS' CONCERTS

Bourgie Hall was rented to 16 musical organizations for presentations of their own concert series, for a total of 89 concerts whose attendance rate was 50%.

EDUCATION AND MEDIATION

Arte Musica pursued its educational mission by offering a variety of activities to amateur musicians, music lovers as well as school and community groups. A new series of concert lectures devoted to world music was presented by ethnomusicologists at Bourgie Hall. Combined with live performances, they have proven to be an excellent way to introduce the public to various musical traditions.

Following the success of last year's hands-on music creation workshops and the choral workshop for parents and children, Arte Musica continued to expand its programming.

It also organized a school concert together with the MMFA that tied in with the Alexander Calder exhibition and combined visual arts and music

For the adult audience, Arte Musica presented eight lectures, an interview and a film that paired our concert program with the Museum's exhibitions.

Furthermore, Arte Musica opened the doors of Bourgie Hall free of charge on numerous occasions, including for some 20 concerts for various Montreal community groups, and for a private concert designed specially for participants in the Sharing the Museum program.

In summary, the results of the 2018-2019 season confirm the growing public interest in our music programming and the obvious synergy between the Museum's educational and cultural missions and those of Arte Musica. Bourgie Hall's position as a major presenter of classical music within the Canadian music landscape is now widely recognized and continues to develop to everyone's delight



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EXHIBITIONS PRESENTED AT THE MUSEUM

When Contemporary Art and the Art of the Past Meet April 12, 2017 – August 12, 2018 An MMFA production.

NADIA MYRE

Scattered Remains -Tout ce qui reste November 15, 2017 -May 27, 2018 An MMFA production

NAPOLEON

Art and Court Life in the Imperial Palace February 3, 2017 – May 10, 2018 An MMFA production, with the participation of the Château de Fontainebleau and exceptional support from the Mobilier national de France

BON APPÉTIT!

Contemporary Foodware Designs in Quebec March 24, 2018 – March 24, 2019 An MMFA production.

FROM THE HANDS OF THE **MASTERS II**

From Parmigianino to Matisse April 10 – August 12, 2018 An MMFA production.

FROM AFRICA TO THE **AMERICAS**

Face-to-face Picasso, Past and Present

May 12 – September 16, 2018 Development Musée du quai Branly -Jacques Chirac, in partnership with the Musée national Picasso-Paris. Adapted by the MMFA.

HERE WE ARE HERE **Black Canadian Contemporary**

May 12 – September 16, 2018 Development Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, and adapted by the MMFA for

JEAN-MICHEL OTHONIEL

Motion – Emotion

June 20 – November 11, 2018 An MMFA production in collaboration with Jean-Michel Othoniel and galerie Perrotin.

MOVING DUNES

Installation by NÓS Architectes on Du Musée Avenue

June 20 – October 21, 2018 An MMFA production in collaboration with NÓS Architectes and MU, with the support of the Ville de Montréal – Ville-Marie Borough.

RESPLENDENT ILLUMINATIONS

Books of Hours from the 13th to the 16th Century in Quebec Collections

September 4, 2018 – January 6, 2019

An MMFA production in collaboration with Université du Québec à Montréal and McGill University.

LIMINALS

A Para-fiction of Transcendence **by Jeremy Shaw** September 6, 2018 – June 2, 2019 An MMFA production.

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Our Artistic Diversity Dialogues with Our Collections September 18, 2018 -June 9, 2019 An MMFA production, supported by the Canada Council for the Arts' New Chapter program.

ALEXANDER CALDER

with the Calder Foundation.

Radical Inventor September 21, 2018 -February 24, 2019 An MMFA production in collaboration

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November 28, 2018 – April 28, 2019 An MMFA production, with the participation of the Lazare Family

A MODEL IN THE STUDIO, **MONTREAL 1880-1950**

New Acquisitions January 29 – May 26, 2019 An MMFA production.

THIERRY MUGLER

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March 2 – September 8, 2019 An MMFA production in collaboration with the Clarins Group and the Maison Mugler

MONTREAL COUTURE

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LOVE IS LOVE

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NAPOLEON

Art and Court Life in the **Imperial Palace** Richmond, Virginia Museum

of Fine Arts June 9 – September 3, 2018

Kansas City, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art October 26, 2018 – March 10, 2019 An MMFA production, with the participation of the Château de Fontainebleau and exceptional support from the Mobilier national de France.

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