



Honouring Clément Bérini: Artist Teacher Community Organizer

**Collective and travelling exhibition in Ontario
May 2013 to September 2014 inclusively**

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Toronto April 24th 2013 – BRAVO presents a collective and travelling exhibit entitled *Honouring Clément Bérini: Artist Teacher Community Organizer*. The opening reception of the tour will be held at Glendon Gallery, York University Tuesday 7th of May 2013 from 6 to 8pm, in the presence of certain artists and of Mrs Janine Griffore, Assistant Deputy Minister, French-Language, Aboriginal Learning and Research, Ministry of Education of Ontario who will say a few words to commemorate the launching of the travelling tour.

This collective and travelling exhibit contains a training component on some of the techniques presented in the show. These will be presented in the form of workshops to students and their teachers. In addition, a talk on **The contribution of the arts to a community's economy and the arts as a career choice** will be presented on the 9th of May from 6 to 7:30 pm to the community at large, free of charge. A light snack will be served.

Through their works, artists mirror society. They ask, "Who are we, and where are we going?" BRAVO-Sud supported by BRAVO and in partnership with the ministry of Education – French-Language Education Policy and Programs Branch (FLEPPB) is offering you some answers with this travelling collective exhibition project. Thirty BRAVO Artists, from around Ontario (North, Center, East, South) invite you, through this exhibit, to experience some recent, current and emerging concerns, identity issues and visions of the future that will reflect your world. Everyone is welcome!

The tour itinerary consists of the following ten (10) exhibition sites:

2013

May	Galerie Glendon Gallery, at Glendon University College, Toronto
September	Centre des Arts Shenkman Arts Center, Orléans
October	École d'architecture/School of Architecture, Laurentian University, Sudbury
November	Galerie ART Gallery, Centre culturel de Moonbeam Cultural Center, Moonbeam
December	Galerie d'art du Temiskaming Art Gallery, Haileybury

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Jan.-Feb.	Musée de Timmins : Centre national l'exposition /Timmins Museum National Exhibition Center, Timmins
Mars	Galerie 815 Gallery, Centre des arts de Hearst Arts Center, Hearst
April	École secondaire catholique Nouveau Regard, Cochrane
May	Thames Art Gallery, Chatham
September	WKP Kennedy Gallery, North Bay

Guided tours can be booked:

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No entrance fees, guided tour is free of charge.

Glendon Gallery is located at 2275 av. Bayview, Toronto, M4N 3M6 (Glendon University College).
Direction by subway: Yonge and St-Lawrence, short bus ride - 124 Sunnybrook to Glendon College Campus,
The Gallery will be open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 12 (noon) to 2pm. Parking is payable on campus grounds.

History of project

It all began when BRAVO-Sud was looking for an artistic pretext to forge ties between its members. The idea of inviting members to create something new based on a well-known work of art was proposed by the board of directors. To make the project even more “Franco-Ontarian” – i.e., to give it an Ontario francophone dimension – Clément Bérini (1930-1996) was selected as the artist of inspiration. Bérini a well-known Northern Ontario painter and a leading figure of the organization was a member of BRAVO-Nord which is why BRAVO-Sud decided to open the project to all other chapters of BRAVO. Each chapter (north, central, east, south) selected a painting from Bérini’s body of work. The participating artists then set about the task of creating a new work, based on the painting selected by his or her regional chapter, in their preferred art form and language, while honouring and celebrating the work of one of their own. That is how this exhibition project has acquired a memory, is creating reference points and, will foster a sense of belonging.

Artists from different chapters

BRAVO-North- Réjeanne D’Amours (métier d’art -fibre d’art), Denise Dufour (métier d’art -fibre d’art), Suzette Hébert-Downey (peinture), Laurent Vaillancourt (assemblage), Solange Vaillancourt (métier d’art -vitrail).

BRAVO-Centre - Sylvia Antinozzi (peinture), Bruce Cull (média mixtes), Gabrielle Noël (média mixtes), Claude Regimbal (peinture), Alix Voz (média mixtes), Artina Voz (média mixtes).

BRAVO-East - Marc Charbonneau (dessin), Gilles Davidson (dessin assisté par ordinateur), Jeanne Doucet (peinture), Denise Levesque (peinture), Nicole Lévesque-White (peinture), France-Marie Trépanier (média mixtes), Jeanne Vaillancourt (technique d’impression –eau-forte).

BRAVO-South - Marc Audette (photographie numérique), Jocelyne Belcourt Salem (photographie numérique), Luc Bihan (sculpture), Lise Goulet (métier d’art -céramique), Chantal Leblanc (sculpture), Denis Leclerc (dessin assisté par ordinateur), Dominique Leroy-Prince (dessin), Joseph Muscat (média mixtes), Gabriel Osson (peinture), André Pilon (photographie numérique), Linda Renaud (média mixtes), Paul Walty (animation image par image).

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