McIntosh Gallery The University of Western Ontario Annual Report 2008—2009



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This Year at the McIntosh

2008/2009 has been a year of change for the McIntosh Gallery – a year of re-imagination, renewal and renovation that builds on the distinguished history of the gallery. The 2007 Strategic Plan presented recommendations to help redefine the role that the McIntosh Gallery plays within the context of the University and the broader community it serves. The overarching theme of the Strategic Plan was that the McIntosh Gallery should become more involved in the academic mission of the university and in the academic programs for both undergraduate and graduate students. The change began on May 1, 2008 when the reporting relationship for the McIntosh Gallery was changed from the Vice-President (External) to the Vice-President (Academic), followed by the appointment of an Acting Director in May.

The new reporting relationship with the Vice-President (Academic) has resulted in a new level of interest in and financial support for the McIntosh on the part of the university. The relationship between the McIntosh Gallery and the Visual Arts Department has been strengthened in many ways. The Communications and the Development Departments, in line with the strategic plan recommendation, are providing expertise for fund raising and communications.

A general refurbishment of the physical space throughout the building has been accomplished: new wall colour emphasizes outstanding architectural features; improved signage and exterior banners advertise individual exhibitions; two new freestanding, moveable walls allow more interesting exhibition layouts and increase available hanging space. The administrative offices have been redesigned to provide more work stations. Past administrative files have been archived. The collection files have been reorganized to increase research efficiency. The collection database, still under development, now includes digital images of most works. Plans are underway to increase the energy efficiency of the building and improve environmental control to protect the works of art. A large sculpture by Ed Zelenak was restored and installed in front of the McIntosh Gallery, where it had originally been placed in 1967.



Ed Zelenak's Untitled 1965 arrives

The McIntosh Gallery is collaborating with the D. B. Weldon Library in a pilot project that will eventually see our collection available through the on-line catalogue, greatly increasing access for scholars and students on the Western campus, as well as a broader public.

The McIntosh Gallery operates ArtShare, a program in which university employees actively participate in a selection of art from the collection for display on campus under safe and secure conditions. This program engenders ownership, pride and awareness of the collection as a shared resource; however, until recently, very few of these works had visible identification or any indication that they belonged to the collection of the McIntosh Gallery. To engage viewers and raise the profile of the gallery, the McIntosh is in the process of installing labels on all the works on display. Many of them are extended with short analyses of the works as well as the usual "tombstone" information. While some of the labels have been written by staff, most are now

being researched and written by volunteers and students under staff supervision. Preliminary feedback has been positive; our goal is to have each of the approximately 800 works on display labeled by the end of 2009. We are grateful to Prof. Sarah Bassnett, whose class prepared labels as part of their course, a good example of how the McIntosh can be integrated in the academic mission.

The Western campus is in effect a small city of approximately 30,000 people. The fact that the greater part of the Western population is youth gives us a special opportunity to develop future arts audiences. While the exhibition space in the McIntosh is limited, the walls in campus buildings can be seen as an extension of the gallery. A new initiative is the development of "pocket exhibitions". Four of these are ready to be installed – two curated by graduate students in visual arts and two others curated by staff. Such exhibitions offer significant potential to extend the reach and visibility of the McIntosh.

Looking beyond the campus, the McIntosh is developing an email list to distribute information about openings and programs to members, artists and the community. The pilot project has resulted in renewed interest in the McIntosh and increased attendance, while saving substantially on printing and postage costs. In collaboration with Western's Communications Department, we are in the process of developing a new visual identity to be launched with a newly designed e-newsletter and re-designed web site. We maintain a Facebook presence as a means of reaching a younger audience.

The accounting and budgeting processes at the McIntosh have been streamlined. For instance, the ArtShare program has been given its own account so that revenues and expenses can be tracked. Profits are being used to improve the presentation of the collection and for costs associated with the "pocket exhibitions." Salaries and other operational expenses that had been charged to an endowment fund have been moved to the operating account, freeing up funds for acquisition of works. This will help support artists in our own community and beyond.

The McIntosh Gallery was asked to consult on the selection of an artist for a portrait of the past chair of the University's Board of Governors. The result was that Jamelie Hassan has completed a portrait of Helen Connell that will soon be installed in the Great Hall.

The McIntosh continues to provide professional training to future curators and arts administrators through its work with graduate students in the Department of Visual Arts, students enrolled in the post-degree Gallery and Art Museum Practice and Arts Management programs, positions funded by Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations and Work/Study bursary students.

Reflecting our commitment to the region, the McIntosh was pleased to present *The River Project*, a collaborative exhibition of nineteen artists interacting with the Thames River. The response was tremendous; the catalogue sold out. September saw the opening of *Hinterlands*, curated by the Chair of Visual Arts, Patrick Mahon. This marked in a very visible way a new era of collaboration with the Visual Arts Department. Two exhibitions in March showcased the work of indigenous members of the Western community and prompted many to make their first visit to the McIntosh.

We are confident that the McIntosh Gallery is well on its way to a re-imagined place and role at Western and are grateful for the overwhelming support the McIntosh has received this year.

Madeline Lennon, Chair, McIntosh Gallery Committee
Judith Rodger, Acting Director

President Davenport congratulates Anthony Isaac, first prize winner, Through My Eyes

Exhibitions

May 15 – June 22
THE RIVER PROJECT
19 London Artists Turn to the Thames River

June 26 – August 10

FACETS: New Acquisitions in Context

August 14 — September 14 Department of Visual Arts MFA Graduation Exhibitions

LIV BONLI: houseworks MATT SPARLING:

makeshift armies and wayward sons

September 18 – November 2

HINTERLANDS:

Fastwürms, Sky Glabush, Diana Thorneycroft, Colette Urban, curated by Patrick Mahon

November 6 – December 7 **FRACTURED REFLECTIONS**

DAGMAR KOVAR: The Evolution of Silence

DON MAYNARD: Falling to Pieces

January 15 – February 22

MARLENE CREATES: SIGNS OF OUR TIME

March 5 - April 5

KANATAWAKHON: Tekawennànote

(Pictures That Speak)

THROUGH MY EYES: Photographs by Indigenous Students at Western

April 9 – 26

VOLUME:

Fanshawe College Fine Art Program

Graduation Exhibition



Hinterlands Exhibition: Colette Urban, Fastwürms

Publications

Hinterlands: essay by Patrick Mahon

Fractured Reflections: essays by Allan Irving and Catherine Elliot Shaw

Public Programs

To enhance viewer experience of the exhibitions, programs of artist talks, discussion circles, and musical concerts were presented. Group tours of the exhibitions were organized for two area high schools, one elementary school and twelve daycare centres. Members of the London Senior Alumni Program enjoyed tours on three occasions, while a Brownie Pack and the Western Retirement Research Association also visited.

The staff provided curricular support to classes from the Department of Visual Arts (BFA, Gallery Practices, and Museum Studies programs), Faculty of Education, Department of History in Graduate Studies, Faculty of Information and Media Studies, Women's Studies, Continuing Studies and King's College Social Work programs. Three students from the Department of Visual Arts completed research projects on the permanent collection.



Openings at the McIntosh 1951 and 2009

Loans

Thames Art Gallery, Chatham Cultural Centre

Jeff Wilmore Organizing the Search for Tom Thomson

Museum London

Jamelie Hassan The Copyist

Woodstock Art Gallery

Joseph Hubbard THE PROCESSION OF DAYS (Time as a Weapon of Mass Destruction)

A History of Painting, Part 1

McMichael Canadian Art Collection, Museum London

James Reaney Maclean Township

Confederation Centre Art Gallery

Stacey Spiegel Mountain Meltdown

Acquisitions



Jamelie Hassan Ring of Fire 1974 (detail)

Gift of Tariq Hassan Gordon

WALTER BACHINSKI

Cyclamen on Model Stand 1969
Etching and aquatint on paper 90.5 x 80 cm
Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008

RON BENNER

Daman, India 1997 Black/white photograph 35.6 x 35.6 cm Gift of David and Thelma Rosner, 2008

¿Como Se Llama: Dieppe, France? 1982-83 Black and white photograph 50.9 x 50.8 cm Gift of Jennie and Jim White, 2009

JACK BUSH

Jeté en l'air 1978 Serigraph on paper 75.6 x 101.6 cm Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008 The Acquisitions Committee met twice during the year and considered 80 artworks offered for donation, of which 39 artworks valued at \$80,855 were accepted into the Collection. In addition, 5 artworks valued at \$12,500 were accepted into the ArtShare Collection for display around the campus. Nine Canadian Cultural Property Review Board applications were submitted on behalf of donors for artworks valued at \$213,700. These are the works accepted for the collection:

GREG CURNOE

Mother! 1964
Oil pastel on newsprint 134.6 x 89.3 cm
Gift of Sheila Curnoe, 2009

Dada!! 1964
Oil pastel on newsprint 134.6 x 89.3 cm
Gift of Sheila Curnoe, 2009

LYNN DONAGHUE

Green Still Life with Oranges 1989 Acrylic on canvas 152.4 x 152.4 cm Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008

TED GOODDEN

Memorial Window for My Father 2005 Stained glass, brass, copper, tin 91.4 x 68.6 cm Gift of the artist, 2008

GEORGE HARGITT

Woodland and Stream 1920 Mixed media on paper 38.1 x 30.5 cm Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008

JAMELIE HASSAN

Italian Rose Bush 1974 fiberglas, wire 190 x 100 x 33.5 cm Gift of Tariq Hassan Gordon, 2009

Ring of Fire 1974 fiberglas, wire 115 x 118 x 17 cm Gift of Tariq Hassan Gordon, 2009

Italian Rose Bush 1974
Watercolour on paper 35.6 x 28 cm
Gift of Tarig Hassan Gordon, 2009

Barb Wire 1974 Watercolour on paper 35.6 x 28 cm Gift of Tariq Hassan Gordon, 2009

Ring of Fire 1975 Watercolour on paper 35.6 x 28 cm Gift of Tariq Hassan Gordon, 2009

GREG LUDLOW

Uranus c1983
Mixed media on Masonite
121.9 x 121.9 cm
Gift of David and Thelma Rosner, 2008

JOHNNENE MADDISON

Missing Billy 2006
Mixed media fabric collage on fabric 52 x 45 cm
Gift of David Falls, 2009

And We All Lived in Little Boxes 2006 Mixed media fabric collage on fabric 52 x 44.5 cm Gift of David Falls, 2009

The Walking Dead of Afghanistan 2001 Mixed media fabric collage on fabric 106 x 50.2 cm Gift of David Falls, 2009

DOUG MITCHELL

Magic Square 1996 Acrylic on wood 226.1 x 30.5 x 30.5 cm Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008

GILBERT MOLL

Down on Dundas 1974
Mixed media (serigraph, enamel spray, watercolour) monoprint on paper 2/4
63.4 x 80.3 cm
Gift of the Estate of Gilbert Moll, 2008

738 Maitland St. 1978 Serigraph on paper 73/100 88.9 x 69.9 cm Gift of the Estate of Gilbert Moll, 2008

DAPHNE ODJIG

In Tune with the Infinite 2004
Serigraph on paper 94/100 67.3 x 53.0 cm
Gift of the artist presented to Western on the occasion of her honorary doctorate, 2008

GERALD PEDROS

Field Wedge 2001-02 Oil on wood 121.9 x 121.3 cm Gift of the artist, 2008

ED PIEN

Figure Study: Variation #7 1982
Oil pastel, acrylic, charcoal on paper
114.1 x 78.6 cm
Gift of Jean Hay, 2008

THELMA ROSNER

Colander Moon c1990
Oil on canvas 30.5 X 61 cm
Gift of David and Thelma Rosner, 2008

Sperm Sun c1990
Oil on canvas 30.5 x 61 cm
Gift of David and Thelma Rosner, 2008

ROSEMARY SLOOT

Exploration, Association, Relation 1993 watercolour and graphite on paper 264.2 x 276.9 cm
Gift of the artist, 2009

58.3 x 43 cm

GERALD TROTTIER

Female Figure Study 1947-49 charcoal on paper 60.3 x 45.1 cm Gift of Wendy Vance and Marc Trottier, 2008

The Shovel nd Linocut on paper 1/10 45.1 x 61 cm Gift of Wendy Vance and Marc Trottier, 2008

The Betrayal 1953 Lithograph on paper 45.1 x 55.9 cm Gift of Wendy Vance and Marc Trottier, 2008

Christ 1953 Lithograph on paper 45.1 x 55.9 cm Gift of Wendy Vance and Marc Trottier, 2008

AIDAN URQUHART

Looking Back/Going Forward 2005 mixed media on plywood: a) 29.8 cm diam b) 60.6 cm diam c) 90.8 cm diam Gift of Wendy LeGresley, 2008

Boneyard Betty #1 2001 Watercolour, collage on paper Gift of Wendy LeGresley, 2009

AIDAN URQUHART

Peter Bee 2001 Watercolour, collage on paper 57.8 x 43 cm Gift of Wendy LeGresley, 2009

Wacky Wanda 2001 Watercolour, collage on paper 58.3 x 42.9 cm Gift of Wendy LeGresley, 2009

TONY URQUHART

Small Landscape in Dutch Manner 1962 Ink and oil on paper 12.7 x 17.8 cm Gift of Barb and Jens Thielsen, 2008

GERALD VAANDERING

Self/Leaps/Long Term Options/Pictograph 1997 Encaustic, photograph on board 182.9 X 61 cm Gift of the artist, 2008

JEFF WILLMORE

32 People 2005 Acrylic on board 152.5 x 132.3 cm Gift of the artist, 2008

We are extremely grateful to all the generous donors listed above, who have helped us add to our holdings in significant ways.

Financial Statements

McINTOSH GALLERY The University of Western Ontario Statement of Operations for the year ended April 30, 2009

OPERATING FUND	2009
REVENUES:	
University Subsidy Federal Grant – The Canada Council for the Arts Provincial Grant – Ontario Arts Council Individual Donations Earned Revenue Ontario Arts Endowment Fund Total Revenues	215,719 26,500 13,900 4,345 6,710 10,740 277,914
EXPENSES:	
Salaries–Staff, Full-Time —Staff, Part-Time Staff Benefits Supplies Telephone Corporate Overhead Postage Printing Travel Receptions Advertising Membership Fees Total Expenses Surplus (Deficit) for the year	224,439 2,813 42,745 10,288 4,157 3,648 1,310 1,212 431 415 408 315 292,181 (14,267)
PROGRAM FUND	
REVENUES:	
Earned Revenue Donations Provincial Grant – Ontario Arts Council Federal Grant – The Canada Council Total Revenues	16,438 3,520 15,000 11,500 46,458

EXPENSES:

Contract Services (Artist/Lecture Fees)	17,485
Salaries – Part-Time	3,736
Printing	11,492
Supplies	5,572
Exhibition Fees	5,000
Travel	4,162
Corporate Overhead	2,646
Shipping	1,902
Receptions & Entertainment	1,868
Advertising	1,712
Total Expenses	55,575
Surplus (Deficit) for the year	<u>(9,117)</u>

ARTSHARE PROGRAM

REVENUES:

Internal Sales	12,780
External Sales	1,700
Investment Income	33
Total Revenues	<u>14,513</u>

EXPENSES:

Supplies	7,362
Corporate Overhead	<u>368</u>
Total Expenses	_ 7,730

Surplus (Deficit) for the year 6,783

W. H. ABBOTT COLLECTION FUND

Balance, beginning of year (1,362)

REVENUES:

Allocation for Spending, Abbott Art Gallery Endowment	61,684
Federal Grant – Young Canada Works	15,831
McIntosh Estate Fund	1909
Individual Donations	7421
Miscellaneous Income	548
Total Revenues	87.393

EXPENSES:

Salaries – Full-Time	2,457
Salaries – Part-Time	17,472

Benefits	2,491
Art Restoration	11,824
Supplies & Other	5,555
Art Appraisals/Contract Services	3,161
Intrafund Transfer	1,187
Shipping	276
Travel	188
Total Expenses	44,611
Balance, end of year	<u>41,420</u>

The University of Western Ontario Year End Accumulated Surplus Account For the Year Ended April 30, 2009

McIntosh Gallery - Ending Accumulated Surplus

	2009	2008	_
Operating Fund (Schedule 1)	(14,267)	45,724	
Program Fund (Schedule 2)	(9,117)	(3,040)	
Accumulated Surplus Project	66,219	29,993	
Playing the Gallery		(1,930)	
	42,834	70,747	
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I have confirmed that the figures contained in the statement of operations for McIntosh Gallery agrees with the figures recorded in the accounting system at The University of Western Ontario for the year ended April 30, 2009. Please note that this information has not been subject to auditor review procedures. These numbers are the result of compilation by UWO management.

Financial officer, Special Funds

Department of Finance, UWO, June 2009

The McIntosh Gallery is fortunate to have seven endowment funds with a combined capital value of \$1,564,985 as of 30 April 2009. Those held at Western (William H. Abbott Collection Fund, Gillian Saward Memorial Fund, Arlene Kennedy and Tom Arnott Fund, Beryl Ivey McIntosh Gallery Fund and the Pay It Forward McIntosh Fund) had a combined capital value of \$1,211, 497 on 30 April 2009. In addition, the Wilhelmina McIntosh Estate Fund and the Ontario Arts Endowment Fund had a combined capital value of \$353,488 on 30 April 2009.

Donors

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The Hon. Chris Bentley, Attorney General of Ontario, congratulates Joe Snyder

A highlight of the year was the presentation of a ten year service award to **Joe Snyder** by the Government of Ontario, in recognition of his volunteer work at the McIntosh. If you have visited the McIntosh on a Friday you will have been given a warm and enthusiastic welcome by Joe, who makes sure the McIntosh is known as the friendliest place on campus.

The following volunteers through their hard work and dedication helped the McIntosh this year:

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