

A Cultivating Journey opens at Kelowna Art Gallery

A Cultivating Journey: The Herman H. Levy Legacy June 16 to October 28, 2018

June 12, 2018 - Kelowna, BC: A new exhibition to open at the Kelowna Art Gallery promises to be the must-see show of the summer and marks several firsts for the Gallery and the city.

A Cultivating Journey: The Herman H. Levy Legacy presents more than sixty paintings, drawings, and etchings that span over five centuries of visual art. The earliest pieces in the exhibition date from the late 15th Century, including two etchings on paper by German Renaissance artist Albrecht Durer, while the most recent work is from 1993.

Of particular note, are works by well-known artists including Gustave Courbet, Claude Monet, Camille Pissarro, Peter Paul Rubens, Vincent van Gogh, and many others. This will mark the first time that works by many of these artists have ever been shown in Kelowna.

"We are thrilled to share this collection from the McMaster Museum of Art with local audiences," says Nataley Nagy, Executive Director at the Kelowna Art Gallery. "From the stunning paintings by the great impressionists to the works on paper, this exhibition of significant European historical and modern art will have something for everyone."

A Cultivating Journey showcases work from businessman and philanthropist Herman Herzog Levy's (1902-1990) art collection, which in 1984, was donated to the McMaster Museum of Art. It represents one of the most significant donations to a university gallery in Canadian history. The exhibition reflects the remarkable acumen of Levy as a collector and offers visitors a cross-section of art history through the filter of his personal interests, which favoured Impressionist and Post-Impressionist landscapes, portraits, and still lifes.

A Cultivating Journey: The Herman H. Levy Legacy is on view from June 16 to October 28, 2018. The exhibition is organized and circulated by the McMaster Museum of Art and curated by senior curator Dr. Ihor Holubizky.

The exhibition is proudly supported by visionary partner, The University of British Columbia, Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies, Okanagan Campus, and supporting sponsor Oland Baxter. This project is supported by the Museums Assistance Program at Canadian Heritage.

The Kelowna Art Gallery is located at 1315 Water Street in the heart of the Cultural District in downtown Kelowna. For hours of operation, or more information about current exhibitions, please visit www.kelownaartgallery.com or call 250-762-2226.

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