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Expressions 36 and in|sight: Release Your Imagination



March 21, 2011: Kitchener, ON –The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery's *Expressions 36* exhibition showcases artwork by aspiring young artists from Waterloo Region. The artwork by students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 comes from 42 schools in the Region and offers a glimpse into the varied perspectives and experiences of young people in our community. *Expressions 36* and the complementary exhibition *in|sight: Re-imagining Ourselves* runs from March 27 through June 5, with an opening reception on March 27th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., with remarks at 2:30 p.m.

"It gives me great pleasure to curate *Expressions* for the second year in a row," says Agnieszka Chalas, Director of Public Programs & Education. "This very special exhibition, celebrating the value of children's art and the creative imagination of young people, promises to be as inspiring as ever."

During *Expressions 36*, The Imaginarium, a special interactive space featuring artwork from KW|AG's permanent collection by Kim Adams, offers opportunities for young visitors to use their own imaginations and encourages them to make connections between the student work and the exhibited permanent collection pieces.

Every year the Gallery presents a complementary exhibition to *Expressions*. This year's exhibition, *in|sight: Re-imagining Ourselves* features a collective artwork created by Wilson Avenue Public School Grade 6 students. Taught by Ms. Reiter and Ms. Bacchus in collaboration with Artist Educators from KW|AG, the project introduces students to work by contemporary portrait artists and provides them with an opportunity to respond by creating a portrait of their own.

KW|AG gratefully acknowledges 26 years of unwavering support from Manulife Financial as the *Expressions 36* and *in|sight* Exhibition Sponsor.

IMAGE: Hilary Dow, *Metamorphosis of an Ill Contained Mind*, 2009. Mixed-media.



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Exhibition Details

Expressions 36 and in|sight: Re-Imagining Ourselves

Free Admission

March 27 through June 6, 2010

Public Opening Reception: Sunday, March 28, 2 – 5 pm

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About the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery

The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery (KW|AG) connects people and ideas through art. The Gallery emphasizes contemporary art, has a 4,000 work permanent collection and offers experiences for adults, children and families. Established in 1956 and operating within Centre In The Square, KW|AG is the oldest and largest public gallery in Waterloo region: *roots in the community, eyes on the world.*

Gallery Hours and Admission

M-W 9:30am-5pm., T 9:30am.-9pm, Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 1pm-5pm. Open before Centre in the Square Performance.

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