



Featured Artists

Paul BRANDEJS
Ghanesh DAS
Erna deVRIES
Maria DRAZILOV

Elaine HOFFMAN
Laura MAY
Frank MAZZUCA
Alan McCORD

Suzanne METZ
Leyla MOHAMMADI
Joseph MUSCAT
Frances PATELLA

Liz RAPPEPORT
Lauren SATOK
Sandra SCARPELLI
Nancy STIRPE

People's Choice Award

Cast your ballot for the People's Choice Award by selecting the work you feel is most deserving. At the end of the exhibition, the artist receiving the most number of popular votes will be declared the People's Choice and receive a cash award.

Covers: Erna deVRIES, A Concrete Reality, encaustic/mixed media, 2016 | Laura MAY, Untitled 3, photography, 2016 | Top Left: Suzanne METZ, Graffiti 3, acrylic/ mixed media, 2015 | Bottom Right: Paul BRANDEJS, Night is Coming (detail), mixed media, 2015



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urbanJUNGLE

The concept of the *urban jungle* conjures up a myriad of visual images. It suggests a variety of things to different people. Contemplate for a moment, a vibrant, modern city where built and natural environments are harmoniously integrated – where concrete and steel meet urban green infrastructure – a network of parks, trails, wetlands, wildlife habitat, forest canopies and greenspaces. Imagine an urban oasis in the city's backyard – a sanctuary where metropolis and nature find common ground.



Vaughan Metropolitan Centre

Vaughan, one of the fastest growing municipalities in Canada is creating a new downtown – the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre which will become the new heart of the City. A modern commercial and residential urban centre supported by an integrated transit network that links Vaughan to the Greater Toronto Area is being developed to embrace all the amenities of innovative urban living from office towers, residences, open green space and urban squares, shopping and restaurants, arts and cultural facilities to pedestrian walkways and bicycle networks. Visit MyVMC.ca to learn more about the progress of the largest and most ambitious project in the City's history.

Edgeley Pond and Park

An innovative integrated design envisioned for Edgeley Pond and Park, the largest public open space in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre will emphasize the gesture of the iconic Black Creek as the most prominent natural feature in the heart of the new downtown. A sustainable approach to stormwater management coupled with a narrative strategy to educate the public on the system's ecological performance, cultural history and a contemporary urban program will ensure this becomes a major destination and regional hub for nature conservancy.

In keeping with the transformational vision for greening the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre and Edgeley Pond and Park, artists from Vaughan and the Greater Toronto Area were invited to interpret the *urban jungle* theme and submit original two-dimensional work to be considered for the City's annual juried exhibition. The art selected for exhibition depicts a dynamic vocabulary of symbolic expression exploring man's often complex relationship with nature while living in urban settings. Iconic natural and urban elements are illustrated through abstract and representational interpretations of architecture, landscape, wild life habitat, people and personal experiences that resonate with meaning for the artists.



Exhibition:

January 26 - April 28, 2017

Monday - Friday

8:30a - 6:00p

Vaughan City Hall: **on the slate** Atrium Gallery

2141 Major Mackenzie Drive