



**Oh, Canada East Art Exhibition Tour  
August 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Join us for a two-day escape into the world of great Canadian art.

*Oh, Canada does not pretend to define a country as expansive and intricately layered as Canada, though it provides insight-through more than 100 artworks-into some of the country's most noteworthy art practices and ideas, including, among others, a deep and continuing interest in the land, craft, and identity politics. Over 800 artists from every province and territory were initially considered for Oh, Canada. Following 400 studio visits, 61 artists and collectives were selected, focusing mostly on those less known outside of Canada. These artists hail from as far west as the Yukon, north as Nunavut and east as Newfoundland and Labrador, cross multiple generations, and work in all media, from painting to performance.*

*Now after a 10-month long run at MASS MoCA in North Adams, Massachusetts, Oh, Canada has come home. Given that the last formal biennial of Canadian art was more than two decades ago, it is only fitting that Oh, Canada has the chance to be taken in by Canadian viewers and processed, allowing them to decide for themselves what the lasting impact of the project will be, while providing a perfect excuse for a home turf celebration. There are a number of new works in the traveling version of Oh, Canada, including new commissions at certain venues, as well as crowd favorites to either discover or revisit. Additionally, since the original exhibition was roughly 18,000 square feet, in order to keep the show intact, it was necessary to divide the works among multiple venues. This allows visitors the unusual experience of traveling to several galleries, and sometimes across provinces to view a single exhibition, while also providing multiple venues the opportunity to work together in the effort.*

*In the end, Oh, Canada is but one snapshot among many possibilities, which has and will hopefully continue to encourage dialogue, debate, and a deeper exploration into the breadth and excellence of Canadian art today.*

DENISE MARKONISH, CURATOR

For more information, see [www.ohcanadaeast.com](http://www.ohcanadaeast.com)

In addition to the fantastic works of art displayed for Oh, Canada you will take in Charlottetown's *Art in the Open* festival ([www.artintheopenpei.com](http://www.artintheopenpei.com)) and the Confederation Centre of the Arts' 50<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration with their recent exhibit, *Five Decades – A Canadian Art Collection*. *Five Decades* features significant works of art from some of Canada's finest contemporary, modern, and historic artists, including selections from the gallery's extensive holdings on Robert Harris (1849-1919) ([www.confederationcentre.com](http://www.confederationcentre.com)).



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**Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- 7:00 am Meet your Driver and Tour Director from Target Tours to depart on your **Oh, Canada East Art Exhibition Tour**. The exhibition, organized by MASS MoCA, provides insight into some of the country's most noteworthy art practices and ideas. Over 800 artists from every province and territory were considered for Oh, Canada. More than 100 artworks of various forms of media were chosen for display.  
First pickup is at **Wal-Mart on Regent Street, Fredericton, NB** at 7:00 am.
- 8:15 am Rest stop and pick-up at **Wal-Mart on Westmorland Road, Saint John, NB**.
- 10:30 am Arrive at **Galerie Sans Nom** in Moncton. 'Created to reflect trends that did not fit elsewhere,' Galerie Sans Nom is a cooperative established in 1979. Nova Scotian artist Michael Fernandes is featured, along with others.
- 12:00 pm Enjoy lunch at nearby **Aberdeen Cafe**. Choose from three options with tea or coffee and dessert included.
- 1:30 pm Arrive at **Galerie d'art Louise et Reuben-Cohen**, whose mission is to present Acadian artists to the world, while featuring contemporary Canadian art. Sixteen artists are featured, including Andrea Mortson from New Brunswick and Hans Wendt from PEI.
- 3:00 pm Depart for PEI with rest breaks along the way. Enjoy the scenery as we cross the Confederation Bridge and make our way to Charlottetown.  
Check-in at our host hotel, the **Best Western, in downtown Charlottetown**.
- Evening Enjoy a free evening in Charlottetown. After supper out (not included) you are free to walk along the boardwalk at Victoria Park, relax on an outdoor patio, or take in an evening performance at the Confederation Centre. This is an exciting time to be in Charlottetown as art comes alive in **Art in the Open**, a free annual festival celebrating Charlottetown's visual arts community and public spaces.

**Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:45 am Enjoy a **complimentary hot breakfast** with the group.
- 9:00 am Arrive at the **Confederation Centre Art Gallery**. The CCAG opened in 1964 as a memorial to Canada's Fathers of Confederation and is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. Almost thirty featured artists have their work displayed for this exhibit including Graham Patterson from New Brunswick.
- 10:30 am Depart Charlottetown.
- 12:00 pm Arrive in Sackville just in time for lunch at **Mel's Tea Room**. Choose from four options with dessert and a beverage included.
- 1:30 pm Arrive at **Owens Art Gallery**, the oldest art gallery in Canada, serving Mount Allison University. Twenty artists are featured for this exhibit here, including Mario Doucette and Janice Wright Cheney from New Brunswick.
- 3:00 pm Depart Sackville and head for home.
- 5:00 pm Arrive in Saint John where we begin to say goodbye.
- 7:00 pm Arrive in Fredericton, say goodbye to your Tour Director, Driver, and new friends with great memories of your Oh, Canada East Art Exhibition Tour.

**Tour Includes:**

- Deluxe motor coach transportation
- 1 night accommodation at the Best Western, downtown Charlottetown
- Breakfast
- Two lunches
- Oh, Canada Art Exhibition including visits to Galerie Sans Nom, Galerie d'art Louise-et-Reuben-Cohen, Confederation Centre Art Gallery, and Owens Art Gallery
- Personally escorted by Target Tours

**Prices:**

\$ 239 per person 2 per room

\$ 335 per person 1 per room

Prices include all taxes and fees.

Please note, the four galleries we visit on this tour do not charge admission, but donations are accepted.

Deposit of \$125 due when booking.

Final payment due July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

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