



Art with Heart
A fundraiser for Casey House

Tuesday, October 18, 2011
The Carlu

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TD PRESENTS ART WITH HEART FOR CASEY HOUSE OCT 18
Canada's finest auction of contemporary art to include important Mapplethorpe work

"...a spectacle of human drama... The auctioneers, bidders, collectors and audience in attendance generate a palpable buzz of edgy excitement in the room that keeps the spirit of the event alive and absolutely worth the price of admission. It is the exhilaration and character—the human elements of the event—that draw people back year after year."

—David Liss, Artistic Director and Curator, MOCCA

September 23, 2011 – (Toronto, ON) TD Bank Group presents Art with Heart, Casey House's signature fundraiser, October 18 at the Carlu. Over its 18-year history Art with Heart has earned a deserved reputation as an unparalleled contemporary art auction experience, benefiting treatment and support at Casey House, Toronto's HIV/AIDS specialty hospital.

"TD is very proud to support Art with Heart and Casey House, a community relationship we've been happily supporting for many years," says **Scott Mullin**, Vice-President, Community Relations, TD Bank Group. "This event offers an opportunity to see and buy some amazing contemporary art by both emerging and established Canadian artists. But most importantly, it offers us the opportunity to pledge our support for the incredible work being done by Casey House for a diverse range of individuals and communities affected by HIV/AIDS."

This year's 86-lot collection features work by some of the most esteemed contemporary artists working throughout Canada today, including sought-after pieces by **Adad Hannah, Diana Thorneycroft, John Scott, Edward Burtynsky, Micah Lexier, Kent Monkman, Greg Girard, Douglas Coupland, Barbara Astman, Wanda Koop** and **Dana Claxton**.

This year, Casey House and the Art with Heart committee are pleased to present for auction an important photograph, "*Von Hackendahl (1985)*" by esteemed New York photographer **Robert Mapplethorpe**. "Robert Mapplethorpe directed that the foundation he created to further the recognition of photography as an art form should also include the mandate of supporting medical research in the area of AIDS and HIV infection," says Joree Adilman, Foundation Manager, Robert Mapplethorpe Foundation. "Our board is very pleased that this gift of an original Mapplethorpe work will advance Casey House's treatment and care for people living with HIV/AIDS."

Also hotly anticipated each year at Art with Heart is the **Emerging Artists Collection**, featuring young artists whose work has been judged by the superb curatorial committee to demonstrate extraordinary promise. Regular attendees to Art with Heart recognize the annual event as an opportunity not only to acquire hotly contested work by established Canadian artists, but also to purchase early works by these artists whose careers are on the ascent.

Auction

Tuesday, October 18, 2011
Tickets \$150
Reception 5:30 p.m. / Auction 7:00 p.m.
The Carlu, 444 Yonge Street, 7th Floor
Tickets online at www.artwithheart.ca

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The full Art with Heart collection may be viewed online at www.artwithheart.ca, where tickets and Limited Editions by Flavio Trevisan and John Hartman are now available for sale.

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