Olympiad arts program takes shape

Symphony concerts, exhibitions, plays, film festivals, poetry readings as well as arts and crafts are some of the 500 cultural events to be held at the same time as the Games of the XXI Olympiad in Montreal. Laurent Lamy, director of the visual arts, sector of the arts and culture program, met with the press, June 21, to talk about the activities that will take place in Montreal, Kingston, Joliette, and Val David.

Two events of national scope will be held at Montreal's Place Bonaventure. The first, entitled MOSAICART, will feature a mosaic of Canadian works chosen by the various provinces and territories. Some provinces focused on contemporary art, while others put more emphasis on earlier works. The exhibition also includes art by Canada's native peoples.

Street exhibition

At the same time, the huge CORRI-DART exhibition, to be set up along Sherbrooke Street, all the way from Atwater to the Olympic Stadium, is designed to include the participation of persons from the visual and the performing arts and even visitors. CORRI-DART, gaily decorated with banners, streamers, signs with photographs and information on other exhibitions, sculptures, etc., is one of the most important projects subsidized by the Quebec government.

Among the many other cultural events offered to the public, most notable are the retrospective of original works produced by Quebec artists over the last three decades, 1940-1950-1960, at the Museum of Contemporary Art; the exhibition of works chosen during the Spectrum Canada contest organized by the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts, at Complexe Desjardins and then at Portsmouth Harbour in Kingston; the exhibition at the Théâtre Maisonneuve at Place des Arts, including some 50 Quebec prints.

Spectrum Canada, supported by National Museums Canada, the Organizing Committee of the Games and Olivetti (Canada) Limited, comprises 184 works by 163 artists of painting, sculpture, architecture, graphic and industrial design, printmaking, weaving, film



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and photography, chosen by a jury of five, which looked at 1,885 entries from all parts of Canada.

Sculpture

At Joliette, site of the archery competitions, there will be a symposium on sculpture. Among the participants will be some of the province's most renowned sculptors: Archambault, Barbeau, Bergeron, Fortier and Trudeau. McArthur Hall in Kingston will be housing a display of Eskimo arts and crafts from the Northwest Territories. Also in Kingston, the Agnes Etherington Centre will host a sculpture exhibition entitled "Celebration of the Body" as well as a symposium featuring a panel of four Canadian sculptors who were chosen from among 20 contestants.

Craft exhibition

The second important event taking place at Montreal's Place Bonaventure is ARTISANAGE. Eighty craftsmen from all parts of the country will demonstrate a variety of skills: ceramics, weaving, glassblowing, macrame, batik, goldwork, the making of stringed instruments, Indian basketry, Eskimo whalebone carving, leather and metalwork...to mention only a few. Thus, MCSAICART and ARTISANAGE aim at presenting the public with as comprehensive a survey of Canadian art as possible.

Films

Montreal's Conservatory of Cinematographic Art will show films every day. There will also be a series of films on sports and several Canadian film festivals at the Cinema Elysée in Montreal and at Queen's University in Kingston. Evening poetry readings, in English and French, will be organized at the Théâtre de Verdure in La Fontaine Park on Fridays and Saturdays.

Young maple trees to be given away at the Olympics

The Canadian Olympic Association (COA) will donate red maple tree growths to athletes, dignitaries, and press representatives attending the Olympic Games.

Some 20,000 maples, averaging 17 inches in height, given to the COA by The Canadian International Paper Company, were scientifically cultivated during an 18-month period. They will be presented to visitors in colourful wrappings in a protective box. The maple leaf is recognized as the Canadian emblem.

International youth in Montreal

Some 1,200 young men and women aged 17 to 20 from about 70 countries, will come to the International Youth Camp in Montreal from July 15 to August 4 — the most representative world youth meeting ever to take place during the Olympic Games.

Recruited from sports, social and cultural organizations in their respective countries by national Olympic committees, the delegations will be joined by Canadians from all parts of the country including over 300 from Montreal itself.

A broad program of culture and sport has been organized at the camp, which is in the heart of Montreal, as well as in various locations in Quebec.

Extradition treaty with Sweden

Allan J. MacEachen, Secretary of State for External Affairs, and Jan Romare, Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Swedish Embassy to Canada, exchanged instruments of ratification of the Treaty on Extradition between Canada and Sweden which was signed at Stockholm on last February.

The Treaty, which entered into force upon the exchange of ratifications on June 25, updates the list of extraditable crimes including hijacking and drug offences and is similar to others recently concluded as part of Canada's policy to update existing treaties in conformity with current day crime prevention.