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CULTURAL GRANT PROVIDED FOR CANADIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE BIENNALE OF SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, is pleased to announce that a grant of \$40,000 has been given to seven Canadian artists to enable them to exhibit their works in the Biennale of Sydney, Australia, which will be held from April 10 to June 15, 1990.

The seven Canadian artists, each of whom works in a number of disciplines, are Geneviève Cadieux, Angela Grauerholz, Rober Racine and Barbara Steinman of Montréal, Ian Carr-Harris and Michael Snow of Toronto, and Stan Douglas of Vancouver.

This is the first time that the Biennale of Sydney, which was first held in 1973, has had so much Canadian participation.

The grant is provided under the International Cultural Relations Program of External Affairs and International Trade Canada. This program supports activities in the arts, academic relations, sports and youth employment exchanges. By having these seven contemporary Canadian artists exhibit at the Biennale of Sydney, Canada's excellence in the visual arts is being promoted internationally.

Ms. Diana Nemiroff, Curator of Contemporary Art at the National Gallery of Canada, is the Canadian coordinator for the Biennale of Sydney, which is the Asia-Pacific region's major visual arts event.

The Canada Council is also contributing to the funding of Canada's participation in Sydney.

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