



THE CONSEIL DES ARTS DE MONTRÉAL LAUNCHES THE SECOND EDITION OF THE LES FEMMEUSES PRATT & WHITNEY CANADA PRIZE

Montreal, September 17, 2007 -- The Conseil des arts de Montréal is launching the second edition of the **Les Femmeuses Pratt & Whitney Canada Prize**, to recognize the creativity and artistic excellence of a professional female Montreal artist.

This prize, awarded for the first time last March, is an initiative of Pratt & Whitney Canada and is accompanied by a \$5,000 grant. The company wished, in creating the prize, to maintain its support of women visual artists following the 20th and last edition of the **Les Femmeuses** exhibition sale in 2006. The first **Les Femmeuses Pratt & Whitney Canada Prize** was awarded to world-renowned artist Geneviève Cadieux, at the last Grand Prix du Conseil des arts de Montréal luncheon.

Candidates for the **Les Femmeuses Pratt & Whitney Canada Prize** must submit their application to the Conseil des arts de Montréal before December 14, 2007. To obtain a description of the eligibility criteria, the registration form, and other information, consult the Conseil's website (www.artsmontreal.org), or contact Marie-Michèle Cron, visual arts advisor (514-280-4125 or marie-michele.cron@cum.qc.ca)

The winner of the **Les Femmeuses Pratt & Whitney Canada Prize** will receive her award next spring, during the Conseil des arts de Montréal's annual Grand Prix luncheon.

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