

Street smart Brunoni in sixth solo show at Galerie Kastel

An exhibition of works by Serge Brunoni opened last night at Galerie Kastel.

Brunoni has become a street smart artist. A large canvas, *Montreal Promenade rue Berri*, a lyrical composition of

bustling figures on a pleasant winter day, is defined with great depth and subtle lighting. *Dévant McGill College* and *Vue sur la Place Jacques Cartier* are equally impressive. At Quebec City, Brunoni has executed some fine paintings around the Terrasse Dufferin and near La Fabrique Restaurant. The artist was born in 1938 in Lorraine, France. He is self-taught, and settled in Trois Rivières in 1963.

Brunoni started painting in 1970 and held his first of six solo shows at the gallery in 1976. You can meet the artist this Saturday from noon to 5 p.m.. Exhibition remains at 1368 Greene until Dec. 4. Info: 933-8735.

I was attracted to "Organic Matter" at Art Rebel, a framing and art supply store at 346B Victoria Ave.,

Westmount. The exhibition is confined mostly to trees, flowers and fruits. *Tree with Red Swirls*, *3 Potted Plants*, and a small still life of a bowl of fruit were my favourites among the 17 charming delicate watercolours. Simply signed Leeann, I learned later they were created

by Lee-Ann Matthews-Hemsworth, who along with her husband Wayne are the owners of this lovely quaint little shop. This is a first solo-show for the artist, who has been taking lessons at the Visual Arts Centre. Show remains until Nov. 30.

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By Bernard Mendelman

Info: 369-2633.

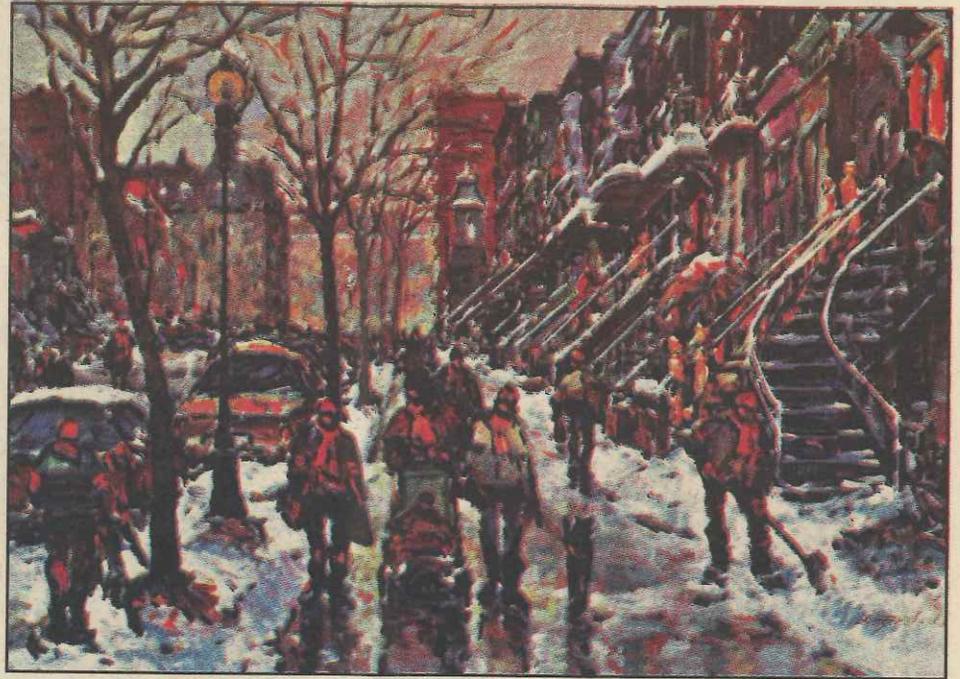
Past and Present, by Dorothy Stein at Galerie Schorer represents art produced in a traditional style over a long period of time. Anne Savage was one of Stein's teachers. Stein has always been active in different group shows. Every year since the 1960s she has taken part in the Independent Art Association exhibitions, winning first prize in 1995 and 1998. At

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the Florist's and *Bouquet* exemplify her wonderful close-up treatment of flowers. Exhibition remains until Nov. 30 at 5686 Monkland. Info: 482-9222.

At the Salon national des galeries d'art du Québec, at Marché Bonsecours, in Old Montreal, from Nov. 24-29, 100 years of history of Quebec painting and sculpture will be exhibit-

ed. More than 25 galleries are participating. Gallery owner Denise Di Candido has worked very hard to put this formidable event together. René Buisson, the founder of Musée Marc-Aurèle Fortin will be honoured at a special ceremony. Artists will be giving an on-the-spot



Montreal Promenade, rue Berri, by Serge Brunoni at Galerie Kastel.

painting demonstration. Admission is free. For exhibition hours, call 844-2133.

Louis Muhlstock has been selected by Mountain Lake PBS to be a feature artist at next year's annual televised art auction. What a great decision to pay tribute to this significant Canadian Art master. Organizer, Jane Ashley told me that at age 96, Louis regaled her crew with enough stories to easily fill a half-hour promo, when interviewed in October at his Ste. Famille St. studio. Muhlstock hopes that, "What I have produced and what I continue to produce will stand the test of time, for time is the

ultimate judge; time does the final sorting and sifting." The auction, a major fundraiser for the PBS station is scheduled for April, 2000. Deadline for artists to submit donated work for jury consideration is Dec. 31. Info: 800-836-5700.

Painter, Marie Roberge and sculptor, Mitchell Kotansky at Arts N.D.G., end their exhibition *Deux Regards, one movement*, tomorrow at 5800 Sherbrooke W. If future exhibitions maintain the same high quality, everything augurs well for this new community gallery. A first annual members show starts Dec. 2. Info: 486-ARTS.