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Beth Ross Becomes an Artist In Residence at The School of Dance

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Announcement

December 2, 2011: The School of Dance is pleased to welcome Beth Ross as an Artist In Residence at The School. Beth joins The School's current artists, Audrey Greyeyes, Neera Huckvale and Maryse Maynard. The School's Artists in Residence Programme (AIR) began in 2004 with five Ottawa-based visual artists and master poet, J.C. Sulzenko.

"The environment and the positive energy within The School of Dance contributes to a vibrant artistic community in which everyone can learn and grow together," says Beth Ross. "Beth is a welcome addition to our growing family of talented, committed artists. Beth is a deeply thoughtful artist whose work exhibits her heart felt compassion for the world," said Merrilee Hodgins, The School's Artistic Director. "We are all looking forward to working together on DAART, our new senior arts programme."



Beth Ross has a broad reputation as artist and educator. She has exhibited across Ontario and Quebec in artistic areas from tapestry to printmaking to performance art. Experienced with Alzheimer patients, she is currently responsible for resident visual arts and horticultural programming at the Perley and Rideau Veterans' Health Centre. Under the Artsmarts grant program Miss Ross has run several projects for enriching the arts experience for children in schools and was intimately involved in the Art With Heart, Paper Prayers project in conjunction with the Museum of Civilization. Beth recently returned from Tanzania where she was engaged in several related workshops for local children and women's groups while volunteering with the Canada-Africa Community Alliance. Her most recent exhibition, entitled *Passages*, took place at the Shenkman Centre in Ottawa's east end.

For more information about The School's Artist In Residence programme or individual artists, please contact Merrilee Hodgins, Artistic Director, at 613-238-7838.