



MEDIA ADVISORY

Wednesday, August 28, 2002

Vancouver Art Gallery extends hours of operation

Vancouver, BC – In an unprecedented event, the Vancouver Art Gallery will extend its opening hours during the last week of *Carr, O’Keeffe, Kahlo: Places of their Own* by opening until 9pm every evening from September 9 to 13 due to popular demand.

Carr, O’Keeffe, Kahlo: Places of their Own opened at the Vancouver Art Gallery on June 15 and has attracted 76,548 visitors to date. It has been the most popular exhibition at the Gallery since the summer of 1996 when the *Group of Seven* exhibition attracted over 100,000 visitors. Not only has attendance to the exhibition been remarkable but the response to the Teachers Institute, lecture program and open studio has exceeded expectations.

The Gallery café and store will also remain open until 9pm between September 9 and 13.

This is the last remaining opportunity to view the work of Carr, O’Keeffe and Kahlo under one roof. The exhibition closes at 5.30pm on Sunday September 15.

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