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## **Because Urbanity is Also Anicinabe**



Val-d'Or – September 16, 2014 – **Starting September 27**, the *Centre d'exposition de Val-d'Or* presents the exhibition *Because Urbanity is Also Anicinabe*, produced by the Val-d'Or Native Friendship Centre. <u>The official opening will take place Saturday</u>, <u>September 27 at 3:00 pm, a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the *Journées de la culture 2014* (Cultural Days).</u>

The Centre d'exposition de Val-d'Or and the Val-d'Or Native Friendship Centre are pleased to present for a minimum period of two years, an exhibition produced by the Friendship Centre under the commissionership of the Boîte Rouge vif who has developed an expertise in the creation of exhibitions using a community-based participatory methodology. The exhibition visitors will be invited to walk the Anicinabe Mikana trail that highlights four aspects of a complex reality: the urban territory, social exclusion, family knowledge transmission, and the hope for peaceful coexistence.

Through challenging and highly current contents, and using an original format combining photography, video, drawings and everyday objects, visitors will discover a different reality, the one experienced by the Anicinabek in Val-d'Or.

This cultural and artistic alliance is also an opportunity to underline the Val-d'Or Native Friendship Centre's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, by offering to the public the present of an authentic and current encounter. Oscar Kistabish, the Friendship Centre's president, expresses the wish that: "people open their eyes and their heart to the Aboriginal people's life in the city, a different reality with all its richness, human values, legacy and hope".

## **Opening hours:**

Tuesday to Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30; Saturday and Sunday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm.

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