

New Works

Vic Cicansky

Please join us for the opening of Vic Cicansky's exhibition,
Thursday, November 18th, 2004, 5:00 - 7:00 pm.

Exhibition continues through to **December 23rd, 2004.**

Artist in attendance.

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Red Pear Coffee Table, 2004; bronze, patina and acrylic paint.

MEDIA RELEASE

Vic Cicansky Exhibition and Book Signing November 18th – December 23rd, 2005.

Well known for creating sculptural works that reflect upon the regional sensibilities of Western Canada, this exhibition will feature a selection of Vic Cicansky's most recent clay and bronze sculptural works. Representative of what one might term the "Regina School," Cicansky's sculptures reflect an aesthetic and point of view particular to the region. Imaginatively drawing from regional funk and folk sources, Mr. Cicansky is nationally recognized for creating whimsical works that reveal a strong pop and prairie sensibility. Since 1968 his clay and more recent bronze sculptures have reflected his love of the land and his passion for gardening. The acknowledgement of a heightened sense of place and the sentiment of nostalgia at play in Cicansky's work lies at the heart of its popular appeal, as his work reveals something of the link between collective memory and nostalgia. Featuring several of Cicansky's bronze tables and a large clay piece based on issues central to Calgary as a center of cattle ranching in the West, this exhibition will

also include the artist's latest take on Western iconography with the inclusion of several new ceramic cattle skull pieces. Making the past simultaneous with the present in a new way, Cicansky's work comprises a hybrid form of western folk art, as it draws from archetypal forms of western folk culture.

Vic Cicansky was born in 1935. He is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan (B.Ed. 1964) and the University of California, Davis (M.F.A. 1970).

Mr. Cicansky has actively exhibited his work throughout Canada and the United States since 1968. The recipient of numerous awards and commissions, his work is well represented in private and public collections throughout Canada.

A comprehensive book celebrating the life and art of Vic Cicansky titled, **The Garden of Art** by Don Kerr, published by the University of Calgary Press will be available opening night.

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