Singh Twins showing at PAMA during Sikh Heritage Month

The remarkable Singh Twins will be in Canada April 1 for the launch of their retrospective exhibition at the Peel Art Gallery Museum and Archives (PAMA) as part of Sikh Heritage Month.

The twin sisters are contemporary Liverpool-based artists whose award-winning Past Modern paintings combine traditional Indian Miniature style with contemporary subject matter of modern-day interest, reflecting complex global issues of identity, politics and pop culture.

More than 50 works of their highly coveted art will be on display in Brampton, showcasing selections from many of the Twins' memorable painting series, including SPOrTLIGHT, Facets of Femininity, and The Art of Loving, and two short films. The London-born artists, daughters of a Sikh doctor who immigrated to North England from the Punjab, are identical twins. Always referred to as ?The Singh Twins,? the sisters were officially recognized by the Queen in 2011 when they each received an MBE (Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire) ?for service to the Indian miniature tradition of painting in contemporary art.?

Recently cited as ?the artistic face of modern Britain,? the twins have exhibited to international audiences in more than 40 solo exhibitions at public galleries in Britain, Europe, India and the United States. There are two Singh paintings in the permanent collection of Toronto's Royal Ontario Museum, however the pair has only rarely shown in Canada. Although the exhibition itself is relevant to all communities, PAMA Art Gallery Curator Tom Smart observed, ?The huge population of Sikhs in the Region of Peel makes it a natural location to showcase these uniquely talented collaborative painters' works.?

The Singh Twins will be in Brampton to take part in the kick-off of Sikh Heritage Month the evening of April 1 at PAMA (from 6 to 11 p.m.) and give a special talk April 2 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Experience Sikh Heritage through art, history, performances, workshops, and interactive demonstrations at PAMA throughout April with free general admission, sponsored by the Sikh Foundation of Canada. For more details visit www.pama.peelregion.ca, www.singhtwins.co.uk or www.sikhheritagemonth.com

Operated by the Region of Peel, PAMA is at 9 Wellington St. E. in Brampton. Visit pama.peelregion.ca to learn more.12-singh -