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Bronx Culture Trolley returns on March 5th

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(Bronx – February 13, 2014) The **Bronx Culture Trolley returns on Wednesday, March 5th** with an evening of exhibitions at [Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos](#), [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), [Andrew Freedman Mansion](#), [Bronx Documentary Center](#), [BronxArtSpace](#) and [LDR Studio Gallery](#). The Bronx Museum of the Arts additionally features a book signing and reading and [Pregones Theater](#) presents a free 7:00pm concert. Admission to venues is free and all are welcome to hop on board and enjoy them.

March 5th's Trolley begins at 5:00pm at Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos (Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse at 149th Street) with **GAY**, an exhibition that examines the cultural shift that has taken place in identity within the last decade by looking at the production of gay male artists of color from 2003-2013. Through painting, drawing, sculpture, video, performance and text, the artists in the exhibition interrogate, de-construct, embrace and celebrate the gay label. Artists include: David Antonio Cruz, Jose Joaquin Figueroa, Cacy Forgenie, Lawrence Graham-Brown, Imani Henry, Steve Locke, Rafael Melendez, Lucas Michael, Troy Michie, Netza Moreno, Twiggy Pucci Garçon, Carlo Quispe, Carlos Sandoval De Leon, Jacolby Satterwhite, Hector Silva, Rob Vassilarakis, Charlie Vázquez, Antonio Vicenty and Dorian Wood. On view through May 7, 2014. **This show contains adult content.**

Also at the gallery, the BCA/DCA Arts Fund Check Presentation at 5:00pm, preceding the Bronx Culture Trolley activities, during which the recipients of the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) Greater New York Arts Development Arts Fund grant will be announced. The ceremony will be attended by representatives of recipient organizations, artists, local legislators, and members of BCA's Board of Directors.

The trolley bell clangs at 5:30pm, 6:30pm, and 7:30pm indicating the trolley's departure from Hostos on its way to the evening's cultural events. The Bronx Culture Trolley is your free ticket to a cultural tour along the South Bronx Cultural Corridor of the lower Grand Concourse. The Bronx Culture Trolley runs on the **First Wednesdays** of each month (except January and September), providing Bronxites and tourists alike a fun way to travel via a replica of an early 20th-century trolley car. Passengers are given the opportunity to sample several of the area's hottest cultural attractions, dining establishments and entertainment venues along the way.

In addition to Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos, this month's trolley stops and attractions include:

- **The Bronx Museum of the Arts** for a **book signing and reading** by award-winning writer and photojournalist **Michael Kamber** who discusses his book **Photojournalists on War**. Also you can tour the museum's current exhibition: **Paulo Bruscky: Art is our Last Hope** which documents his encounters with the Recife culture in books, photographs, and other media;
- **The Andrew Freedman Mansion** for their current exhibition;
- **Pregones Theater** for a free 7:00pm **concert by the JACK Quartet** who shatters the stereotype of the traditional string quartet;
- **Bronx Documentary Center** for **Too Young to Wed**, an exhibition of photographs by Stephanie Sinclair and featured short films by Jessica Dimmock and Stephanie Sinclair;
- **BronxArtSpace** for a **Synthetic Zero Multi-Disciplinary Event** curated by Mitsu Hadeishi and featuring visual art, performances and experimental video; and
- **LDR Studio Gallery** for **Joy to the Sheep**, an artistic perspective on the ongoing apathy, ignorance, and corruption of what was once a symbol of freedom on Earth.

NOTE: The Bronx Culture Trolley will return on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 and will feature BCA's kick-off of 2014's The Big Read in the Bronx. Visit BCA's website at www.bronxarts.org in mid-March for information on April 2nd's Bronx Culture Trolley as well as other programs and activities of the Bronx Council on the Arts. Additional information: 718-931-9500 x33.

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