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April 1st Bronx Trolley First Wednesday Arts & Culture Tour: Ride the Trolley | Enjoy the Exhibitions | Come to the Bronx Memoir Project

(Bronx – March 13, 2015) **The Bronx Trolley First Wednesday Arts & Culture Tour**, a program of the Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA), rolls again on April 1st with an evening of exhibitions at BCA's [Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos](#), [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), [BronxArtSpace](#) and [WallWorks Gallery](#). Additionally, the Longwood Art Gallery will include an art activity as an accompaniment to its Lady K Fever exhibition, the Bronx Museum of the Arts will host a book reading by contributors of BCA's *Bronx Memoir Project, Volume 1*. Admission to venues is free and all are welcome to hop on board the trolley and enjoy them.

April 1st's trolley begins at 5:00pm at **Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos** (Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse at 149th Street) for a viewing of **Lasting Legacies** and **Dubbed: Lady K Fever**. **Lasting Legacies: Ellsworth Ausby, Xenobia Bailey, Honey Kassoy and Olga Kitt** highlights the work of four dynamic elder artists from [BCA's Creating A Living Legacy \(CALL\) Program](#). This exhibition features their sculptures, paintings, graffiti and textile art. BCA CALL is an outgrowth of the Joan Mitchell Foundation CALL program that connects elder artists with BCA-trained Legacy Specialists who teach CALL artists how to document and archive their life's work. **Dubbed: Lady K Fever**, an installation by Lady K Fever (Kathleena Howie) and curated by Bronx artist and 2013 BCA BRIO winner Laura Napier, is a fresh, innovative installation – the artist's first solo NYC exhibition. Working in the Gallery's Project Room during the days prior to her opening, Lady K Fever remixed her own work, layering graffiti vernacular, drawings, paintings on plexiglass and cardboard, razor wire, transparencies, found objects, and selfies with her signature abstract expressive flora and botanicals.

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 trolley is your free ticket to a cultural tour along the South Bronx Cultural Corridor of the lower Grand Concourse. The trolley runs on the **First Wednesday** 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:

- **Bronx Museum of the Arts: (1) "Reading & Conversations"** features **BCA's Bronx Writers Center Director Charlie Vazquez** reading excerpts from the **Bronx Memoir Project, Volume 1**, an unprecedented collection of over fifty fragments of Bronx memoirs as penned by the borough's residents, spanning generations, continents, languages, cultures and themes. **(2) Free Guided Tour of the Museum's Current Exhibitions:** *Craft and Colony: from the Arachnae Series* by Aristides Logothetis, *Escape Route: Paintings and Drawings* by Jeffrey Spencer Hargrave, *Three Photographers from the Bronx, Cuba Libre!*, and *Highlights from the Permanent Collection*.
- **Bronx River Art Center @ Bronx Art Space** for a viewing of *The Sculpture of Food*, curated by Karine Duteil, which displays food as both a building block for an art object and an idea to be conveyed.
- **WallWorks Gallery** for a viewing of *Works of Steph Burr and John-Paul O'Grodnick*, two emerging artists who are not afraid of color.

The Bronx Trolley First Wednesday Arts & Culture Tour will return on May 6, 2015. Visit www.bronxarts.org in mid-April for information on April 1st's trolley as well as other BCA programs and activities. Additional information: 718-931-9500 x33.

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