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Bronx Culture Trolley Returns on Wednesday, August 3rd Ride the Trolley! Enjoy the Exhibitions!

(Bronx – July 21, 2011) The **Bronx Culture Trolley**, a program of the Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA), **rolls again on Wednesday, August 3rd** featuring a number of family activities along the [South Bronx Cultural Corridor](#) including art exhibitions at the [Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos](#), [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), [BronxArtSpace](#), and [Gordon Parks Gallery](#). [bronxArtworks Artisans Collective](#) will set up their boutique of hand-made items in the Hostos lobby and you can wind down your trolley night with fine food and drinks in the Karaoke Lounge at [Sweetwater's Bar & Grill](#). The **Bronx Culture Trolley** is a program of the [Bronx Council on the Arts](#). Admission to venues is free and all are welcome to hop on board and enjoy them.



August 3rd's Trolley begins at the **Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos** (Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse at 149th Street) at 5:00pm with a closing reception for its current exhibitions.

Born Again: A Lebanese-Dominican Dominican York is Born Again as a Bronxite, curated by Nicolas Dumit Estevez, focuses on Estevez's time spent with groups and individuals in the Bronx and unearthing the perceptions and misperceptions that have shaped the identity of the borough since the 1960s. In ***Eight Artists Respond to Born Again*** artists play off Estevez's perceptions by bringing Bronxites' perspectives and voices on the subject. ***En Castellano and in other Languages: Video Artists From Andalucía and the Bronx***, co-curated by Juan Ramon Barbancho and Nicolas Dumit Estevez, presents three artists from Andalucía and three from the Bronx whose work engages in cultural memory, popular rituals and the day-to-day in the streets of two distant or not-so-distant locations, one in Europe and the other in the Americas.

The Longwood Art Gallery is celebrating its 30th anniversary as one of New York City's oldest and longest running alternative spaces, presenting solo and group art exhibitions by emerging artists from under-represented groups such as people of color and women. For more information on the Longwood Art Gallery and its exhibits, visit www.bronxarts.org or call 718-518-6728.

In the Hostos lobby BCA's **bronxArtworks Artisans Collective** will display and sell such imaginative creations as Korean knotting novelties, crafts, crocheted hats, ethnic masks, illustrations, jewelry, knitwear, metal sculpture, note cards, paintings, papermache masks and vases, post cards, and more. All items are original designs created by Bronx Artisans.

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. Admission to participating venue attractions is free. The Bronx Culture 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 the Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos, this month's trolley stops and attractions include:

- **Bronx Museum of the Arts** for a viewing of *Bronx Calling: The First AIM Biennial*, *Taking AIM: The Business of Being an Artist*, and *Urban Archives: Our Town Pictures of the Bronx*;
- **Gordon Parks Gallery** at the College of New Rochelle School of New Resources for a viewing of *Bridging the Gap: Photography by Gordon Parks and Toni Parks*;
- **BronxArtSpace** for a viewing of *Outsiders Inside The Bronx*, an exhibition by four artists from The POINT, CDC;
- **Sweetwater's Bar & Grill** for fine food and drink and some "singing" fun in Sweetwater's Karaoke Lounge.

For Bronx Culture Trolley information, contact Phil Cardone at 718-931-9500 x33 or at trolley@bronxarts.org. **The Bronx Culture Trolley will not run in September**. It will return on October 5, 2011. Visit BCA's website at www.bronxarts.org in mid-September for information on October 5th's Bronx Culture Trolley activities.

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