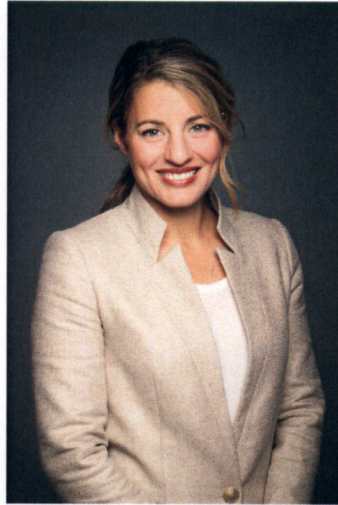


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Welcome to Spirit of Harmony, Invitational Exhibition of East Asian Artists 2016!

Works of visual art are an expression of the culture of their creators, but they also speak a universal language that allows us to build bridges between cultures. This exhibition is a product of that spirit, and it shows that arts and artists can help build relationships among people from all over the world.

Spirit of Harmony brings together art lovers of all ages and backgrounds to enjoy works by artists from China, Japan, and Korea—and to foster cultural exchange, cooperation and friendship. Sharing our diverse heritage through the arts leads to better understanding and communication; in so doing, we grow in our knowledge of one another and enrich our collective culture.

As Minister of Canadian Heritage, I would like to thank the organizers, artists and volunteers who made this unique exhibition possible. Best wishes for success in your ongoing efforts to foster diversity of artistic expression in Canada.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'M. Joly'.

The Honourable Mélanie Joly

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