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WE MUST NEVER FORGET WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR SISTERS: MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS

Kahnawake, February 15th, 2023 – Quebec Native Women (QNW) held an event yesterday afternoon at the Hôtel - Musée Premières Nations in Wendake to honour missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. The purpose of this event was to bring the families together and allow them to continue their healing process in a culturally safe space, with psychological support available to them if needed.

Political leaders and Indigenous families from various nations who have been deeply affected by the loss of a loved one were present for this commemoration and witnessed the unveiling of a work of art "*Ni Cimec, Ni Mises*", created by Rosalie Mowatt, a member of the Anishinabe Nation of Abitibiwinni.

"This work is intended first as a kind of monument of healing, a representation of hope for the resolution of these cases. It also aims to give back an identity to these women and girls; they have a story, a life that deserves attention. Not just another name on a far too long list of disappearances and deaths", says Rosalie Mowatt, artist.

The exhibit will be on display at the First Nations Hotel-Museum for two weeks following the event. The public is invited to visit this important and significant work of art.

‘NO MORE STOLEN SISTERS’

"We must never forget what happened to our Indigenous sisters, which is why Quebec Native Women is here to remind the population of this national crisis that represents genocide against Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people. Our hearts go out to the families who are going through this painful time", said Gabrielle Vachon-Laurent, vice-president of Quebec Native Women.

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