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CANADIAN WAR ARTIST TO DESTROY MILITARY ART WORKS TO PROTEST HARPER LED CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT'S ABUSE OF POWER

A progressive Canada's death by a thousand increments!

Allan Harding MacKay, a war artist previously contracted by the Department of National Defense in Somalia (1993) and Afghanistan (2002), will undertake the destruction of 5 original works based on these war zone assignments. The 'art action' will take place within view of the Parliament Buildings in the Nation's Capital.

The destruction of these art works, constituting aspects of Canada's contemporary military heritage, is meant to symbolize a much larger destruction of Canada's values relating to national governance. The values of openness, justice, honesty, fairness and unfettered participation by all MP's is being held hostage by a government that holds the Parliamentary System in deliberate contempt and fashions abusive policies impacting, but not limited to, Veterans Rights, First Nations Rights, Workers Rights, Protection of the Environment and Foreign Aid /Diplomatic initiatives. Clearly exercising an abuse of parliamentary traditions, this majority government shamelessly utilizes the tactics of stealth, deception, suppression and untruths to further its own minority interests. Stephen Harper is spearheading the demise of a progressive Canada ... death by a thousand increments!

Allan Harding MacKay's Somalia/Afghanistan related art works are in the collections of the Canadian War Museum, Department of National Defense, National Gallery of Canada, Glenbow Museum, Confederation Centre Art Gallery, Banff Centre for the Arts, Canada Council Art Bank, Georgian College. His award winning video Somalia Yellow has been shown in video festivals internationally, a CBC documentary on his Somalia assignment entitled Changing Perspectives was broadcast nationally and the theatre production 'Somalia Yellow' was created by the One Yellow Rabbit Theatre ensemble Calgary and toured to Prague and Glasgow.

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