

Walls of Sorrow/Walls of Hope

Youth from diverse backgrounds across the GTA will join guest artist Claudia Bernardi (Artistic Director of the School of Art and Open Studio of Perquin, El Salvador), and a team of Toronto Artists led by Julie Jarvis (WSWH Project Coordinator) to build a multi-arts installation – storytelling, photography, sound sculpture, movement, video, muralism - that will explore ways to reduce global poverty and build community through art.

As creators and visionaries, youth will have a rare opportunity to be leaders in the development and design of a unique partnership that crosses sectors, communities and countries. Together they will use art as a way to build bridges of diplomacy and understanding locally and with areas of the world deeply affected by war and the painful transition in the aftermath of war.

This project entitled - **Walls of Sorrow/Walls of Hope: An International Journey of Transformation through Art** is a project of the Phoenix Community Works Foundation. The installation will be built at the **Art Gallery of Ontario** and **Sketch** art studios over 4 weeks in **April/May** and exhibited to the public in the fall of 2008.



Artwork: Claudia Bernardi 'Stains of life'

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