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Vernon Public Art Gallery Presents *Kitchen Corner* by Samuel Roy-Bois

The Vernon Public Art Gallery is pleased to present *Kitchen Corner*, a new exhibition by award-winning artist and Associate Professor at the University of British Columbia Okanagan, Samuel Roy-Bois. The exhibition will be on view at the Vernon Public Art Gallery from January 9 to March 11, 2026.

Born in Québec City, Roy-Bois is known nationally and internationally for his ambitious installations that explore architecture, everyday materials, and the environments we shape. His work has been featured at major institutions including the Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal, the Audain Art Museum, and the Esker Foundation, and is held in numerous Canadian collections.

“The work of Samuel Roy-Bois challenges us to see the world around us in new ways,” says Dauna Kennedy, Executive Director of the Vernon Public Art Gallery. “Join us as we explore the exhibition *Kitchen Corner* and reconsider our relationship between our environments and ourselves. If you are interested in an even deeper dive into the work being presented, take part in our opening reception and artist talk which will give you deeper insight into the works on display.”

The sculptures in *Kitchen Corner* resemble the exposed framing of buildings; supports, joints, and partial structures that suggest spaces still being built. Using familiar materials and forms, the works reflect the environments we inhabit every day and encourage viewers to notice how these structures influence how we move through and understand the world around us.

The opening reception for *Kitchen Corner* will take place on Thursday, January 8, from 6–8 PM at the Vernon Public Art Gallery. The community is warmly invited to attend, meet the artist, and enjoy an evening of conversation around the exhibition. Light refreshments will be served.

An artist talk with Samuel Roy-Bois will be held on Saturday, January 24, from 1–2 PM, offering visitors a unique opportunity to hear directly from the artist about his practice and the ideas behind *Kitchen Corner*.

Don't miss this opportunity to engage with the work of award-winning Canadian artist Samuel Roy-Bois and experience *Kitchen Corner* at the Vernon Public Art Gallery. Entry is by donation.

Photos provided by Samuel Roy-Bois



About the Vernon Public Art Gallery

The Vernon Public Art Gallery (VPAG) is a cornerstone of cultural tourism in the North Okanagan region and a vibrant centre for educational and cultural activities. As North Okanagan's only professional contemporary public art gallery, VPAG hosts approximately 20 exhibitions per year, featuring emerging, mid-career, and established artists working across a wide range of media, including painting, sculpture, video, and installation art.

VPAG also delivers diverse programming and events for the community which include artist talks, workshops, and signature events such as Midsummer's Eve of the Arts, Riot on the Roof, and Art After Dark. Through its exhibitions and programs, VPAG fosters engagement, inspires creativity, and strengthens the cultural fabric of the Okanagan region.

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