

Burma - *These Days*

July 3 – August 6, 2012



THE EAST GALLERY
Contemporary Asian Art

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Toronto, June 21, 2012 - Since pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi was released from house arrest in late 2010, one of the world's most repressive regimes has started to implement long-awaited reforms.

Despite repression and decades of isolation, the Burmese art scene has quietly flourished over the years. Recently, the international art world has started to take notice of the small but vibrant contemporary art scene in the Southeast Asian country, also known as Myanmar.

Four leading Burmese artists, all based in the capital Yangon, will present their latest works for the first time in Canada. Ranging from dramatic portraiture and fiery impressionistic landscapes to photo-realistic waterscapes and atmospheric depictions of every-day life, this survey show illustrates the scope, creativity and technical skill that the Burmese art scene has become renowned for.

Burma – *These Days* is The East Gallery's seventh exhibition over the last 12 months and its first in its new permanent space at 334 Dundas Street West. Toronto's newest gallery is the city's only exhibition space that focuses exclusively on contemporary Asian art. Our mission is to provide Canadians with a window onto the exciting art scenes of East and Southeast Asia. Art lovers can keep up-to-date on the latest trends and happenings in the contemporary Asian art world through The East Gallery's regular updates on facebook and twitter.



Artists: ♦Maung Aw ♦Saw Lin Aung ♦Zaw Win Pe ♦Yan Naing Tun

Exhibition Dates: July 3 – August 6, 2012

Gallery and Exhibition Opening Reception: Wednesday, July 4, 6 -10 pm

Venue: **The East Gallery**, 334 Dundas Street W., Toronto (across from the AGO)
Open Mon. – Sun. 9 am to 11 pm