

## NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL ACQUIRES PAINTINGS FROM LOCAL ARTIST

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**Northumberland County** – Thanks to a recent donation from Port Hope artist, Pamela Tate, the Northumberland Hills Hospital is the proud owner of a series of three original acrylic on canvas paintings now on display in the Continuing Care Unit.

The paintings, entitled “The Theatre Goers” were painted in 2004 and depict three mature women sharing a chuckle as they enjoy their time together at the theatre.

“The reason I chose these paintings as my donation to the hospital is because they make me smile”, states Pamela Tate. “I wanted to share them with others who are in need of cheering up and the hospital was an obvious choice”, she adds.

“We are pleased to be the recipient of these paintings” comments Joan Ross, Chief Executive Officer for the Northumberland Hills Hospital. “We are grateful to Pamela for her thoughtful donation, and look forward to enjoying “The Theatre Goers” for years to come.”

Since opening its doors in October 2003, the hospital has partnered with the Art Gallery of Northumberland to feature a growing number of artistic works by an impressive range of local, national and international artists. These works of art are presently on display throughout the facility.

“The presence of art work in the hospital setting helps to create a more soothing, more human space,” adds Ms. Ross. “We always welcome the response of patients and visitors to our current collection, and look forward to expanding it in the future through further thoughtful donations like that of Pamela’s.”

In conjunction with knowledgeable experts that serve on the hospital’s Art Committee, the Northumberland Hills Hospital respectfully reserves the right to review all potential art donations for suitability.

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