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MARIE-HÉLÈNE BELLAVANCE
EN MEMORIA

November 11 – December 5 2009,
Opening: Wednesday November 11th, 6:00 p.m.

Marie-Hélène Bellavance is a multidisciplinary artist who never ceases to amaze us with the quality and the variety of her accomplishments. A Fine Arts graduate from Concordia, painting was her first medium of choice. She also performed in the dance field as both dancer and choreographer. More recently, she has made her debut in the film industry, playing the lead role in Sophie Deraspe's latest critically acclaimed film, «*Les signes vitaux*».

Bellavance now presents *En Memoria*. With this exhibition the artist speaks of death and mourning in new colours; a death celebrated, a death honoured. A death that gazes outwards, and that warms the living with its passing. Inspired by Mexican and Latin-American culture, *En Memoria* offers a variety of symbols that remind us of the offerings left on the graves of our dear ones, bringing back intimate memories.

«En Memoria is made up of fragments of life, fragments of loss. Flowers we sow, that bloom in our hearts. Moments that fade, eyes that observe us, lace and patchwork sentiments. Symbols that serve to give some sense to our mourning. These abstract words coming from our half-open mouths, in memory of those, in others' memories.»

Marie-Hélène Bellavance

Opening Hours: Wednesday – Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Saturday – Sunday Noon – 5 p.m.

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