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## **DRAWING FRENCH AMERICA** **The historical illustrations of Francis Back**

Montreal, May 10, 2012- The Marguerite Bourgeoy's Museum, located in the historic district of Old Montreal, beginning May 15, 2012 proudly presents ***DRAWING FRENCH AMERICA The historical illustrations of Francis Back***. This totally new exhibition will be the very first devoted to Francis Back, one of Quebec's rare historical illustrators. A talented artist with his own personal style, Francis Back's reputation is an enviable one among historical museums.

Using an approach both historical and esthetic, the exhibition that the Marguerite Bourgeoy's Museum is devoting to him will be an evocative one, exploring the rich world of the artist, both creative and playful, and the various facets of his work. The unusual and colourful approach of this exhibit will fascinate both specialists and the public at large who will be able to see an exclusive selection of more than sixty works, outline drawings and sketches.

### **Francis Back, illustrator**

Francis Back was born in Montreal in 1959, the son of Ghylaine Paquin, teacher, and Frédéric Back, painter and animated-film director. From childhood, Francis Back showed a passion for both drawing and history.

Pictures, then, have become Francis Back's craft. For over thirty years, he has created illustrations for museums, national parks, articles and historical publications. This illustrator has distinguished himself in a number of fields of interest and competencies: the history of New France, First Nations culture, military and naval history and costume history. His drawings also illustrate the pages of many novels, children's books and works of Canadian, American and British publishing houses.

### **Information:**

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