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Painting at the AGO

Hi Kevin  
Ritchie Sinclair here.

I met with Jennifer Bohgal today at the AGO University Ave.venue. I had to ask her to remove your purported Morrisseau painting (which she did).Please contact me when you can so I can better explain why I have asked her to do this. Curator Gerald McMaster had the other two fake Morrisseau paintings removed as "questionable" before I arrived.. Its a delicate and extremely unfortunate situation but for now suffice it to say that Joe McLeod has been receiving legal letters from Norval since at least 1993. I published two 2004 legal letters yesterday that Norval sent him though many more have been filed in court ( <http://norvalmorrisseaublog.blogspot.com/2010/06/2004-legal-letters-sent-by-norval.html> )

I painted with Morrisseau from 1979 through 1999. When I spoke up about the forgery issue through my website at <http://Morrisseau.com> I was sued by McLeod for \$17 Million to scare me into silence. Since I filed the declarations of Morrisseau against McLeod and his fellow plaintiffs they will not appear in court (18 months now and counting), even under the issuance of a summons,

I'd like an opportunity to speak or meet with you and share the facts and evidence about your painting, its sources and the 3000 or more Morrisseau forgeries that have undermined the legacy of one of our great Canadian treasures. As an artist I trust that you are keenly aware of how we value what we create, and the body of our work. Its almost beyond imagination what they have done to Norval. Just imagine

what Norval must have been going through as he watched his career undermined and his money and identity stolen by these people.

I'm so sorry to bring this bizarre news to your attention. Nevertheless, consider it a chance to be in on one of the most shocking stories to ever emerge out of Canada. The RCMP have a nationwide task force focusing on the Morrisseau fraud issue.

McLeod, and the rest of the operation have each been interviewed by the RCMP. One day this story will break. For now, lawsuits and threats of lawsuits keep it out of the media, but the RCMP will raid dozens of major galleries across the country and Joe McLeod and many others will answer for their activities.

Sincere regards,

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