

# Glenbow Museum

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## For the Love of Rubens! - Glenbow Unveils Exciting Baroque Painting -

CALGARY – It will be love at first sight on February 14<sup>th</sup> when Glenbow Museum unveils a Studio of Rubens painting titled *The Fruit Dance* (c.1616-1617). On long term loan to Glenbow from a generous Canadian collector, the painting is a feast for the eyes! Come see it and immerse yourself in the ideas of excess, sensuality, love and romance!

The public will get a chance to view this important work at a special Valentine's unveiling celebration on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. on our 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. This enchanting evening will begin with a presentation called *Baroque Bodies: Painting, Passion, Love and New Criteria for Beauty* by internationally recognized scholar of Renaissance and Baroque art, Paola Pacifici. Visitors are then invited to mingle with other art lovers over light refreshments and Baroque music.

**Media is invited for a sneak peek of this exciting Baroque work earlier in the day (Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>) at 10:45 a.m.\***

\*Image will be presented both partially veiled and unveiled for media. We ask media refrain from showing the completely unveiled painting until the evening news. The veiled work can be used as a teaser up until then. Your compliance with this request is greatly appreciated!

**WHAT: MEDIA PREVIEW of Studio of Rubens painting *The Fruit Dance***

**WHEN: Thursday, February 14 at 10:30 a.m.** (Following Glenbow's new exhibition launch *Honouring Tradition: Reframing Native Art* at 10 a.m.)

**WHERE: Glenbow Museum, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 130 – 9 Avenue S.E., Calgary, Alberta**

**INTERVIEWS: Paola Pacifici, Renaissance and Baroque art expert  
Jeff Spalding, Glenbow Museum President and CEO**

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