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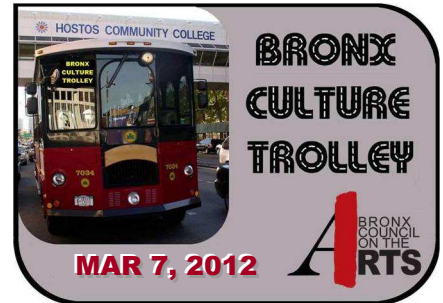
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## **Bronx Culture Trolley Returns on Wednesday, March 7th** **Exhibitions / Interactive Games / Artist Talk / Craft Sale / Concert / Check Presentation**

(Bronx – February 17, 2012) The **Bronx Culture Trolley** rolls again on **Wednesday, March 7th** featuring a number of family activities along the [South Bronx Cultural Corridor](#) including art exhibitions and performances at the [Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos](#), [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), the [Gordon Parks Galley](#) and [BronxArtSpace](#). BCA's [bronxArtworks Artisans Collective](#) will set up their boutique of hand-made items in the Hostos lobby, [Pregones Theater](#) presents a free 7:00pm concert, and you can wind down your trolley night with food, drink, and art at the [Bruckner Bar & Grill](#). The [Bronx Culture Trolley](#) is a program of the [Bronx Council on the Arts](#) (BCA). Admission to venues is free and all are welcome to hop on board and enjoy them.



**4:00pm BCA/NYSCA/DCA Check Presentation** will precede the Bronx Culture Trolley activities. BCA will announce and award checks to the recipients of the NYS Council on the Arts' Decentralization grant and the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs Greater New York Arts Development Fund grant.

**March 7th Trolley** begins at the **Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos** (Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse at 149th Street) at 5:00pm with a closing reception for its current exhibitions. **Toys & Games with a Twist**, curated by Juanita Lanzo and Vanessa Gonzalez, is a multi-media exhibition of paintings, drawings, sculpture, video, and board and video games. **Adult Content.** **Stations of the Lost**, inspired by the biblical Stations of the Cross, is a mixed-media installation by Sean Paul Gallegos that explores the growing disconnect from traditional religious iconography and belief systems in modern culture.

**Toys & Games with a Twist** includes **Interactive Games in the Gallery** where you can actually play a half dozen online games at [www.bronxarts.org/lag\\_gameroom.asp](http://www.bronxarts.org/lag_gameroom.asp) on two computers set up in the gallery so you can enjoy the exhibition and get your game on! Sitck around for a special **7:00pm Conversation with the Artists.** of **Toys & Games with a Twist** and **Stations on the Lost:** Melissa Calderon, Hector Canonge, Sean Paul Gallegos, Jessica Kaire, Nao Matsumoto, Ricardo Miranda-Zuniga and Jose A. Vicenty. A brief Q&A will follow.

**In the Hostos lobby** BCA's **bronxArtworks Artisans Collective** will display and sell such imaginative creations as Korean knot-tying novelties, crafts, crocheted hats, ethnic masks, illustrations, jewelry, knitwear, metal sculpture, note cards, paintings, papermache masks and vases, post cards, and more. All items are original designs created by Bronx Artisans.

**The trolley bell clangs at 5:30pm, 6:30pm, and 7:30pm** indicating the trolley's departure from Hostos on its way to the evening's cultural events. The Bronx Culture Trolley is your free ticket to a cultural tour along the South Bronx Cultural Corridor of the lower Grand Concourse. Admission to participating venue attractions is free. The Bronx Culture Trolley runs on the first Wednesday of each month (except January and September) providing Bronxites and tourists alike a fun way to travel via a replica of an early 20th-century trolley car. Passengers are given the opportunity to sample several of the area's hottest cultural attractions, dining establishments and entertainment venues along the way.

In addition to the Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos, this month's trolley stops and attractions include the **Bronx Museum of the Arts** for a viewing of **Juan Downey: The Invisible Architect**, **Urban Archives: Our Town Pictures of the Bronx**, and **Lobby-For-The-Time-Being: Pregones Theater** for a free 7:00pm concert by **Line C3**; **Gordon Parks Gallery** for **Kamoinge: Revealing the Face of Katrina**, a photographic exhibition; **BronxArtSpace** for the group exhibition **Vital Signs**; and **Bruckner Bar & Grill** for a preview of **We Are Here: Art IN the Bronx**, an exhibition by the Bronx River Art Center in conjunction with the Bronx portion of the March 8th Armory Show ([www.thearmoryshow.com](http://www.thearmoryshow.com)).

The Bronx Culture Trolley will roll again on April 4, 2012. Visit BCA's website at [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org) in mid-March for information on April 4th's Bronx Culture Trolley as well as other programs and activities of the Bronx Council on the Arts.

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