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KEN LOCHHEAD

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Ken Lochhead was born in Ottawa in 1926. He studied art at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. At the same time, Lochhead studied at the Barnes Foundation (in Merlon, Pa.) from 1946 to 1948. Several scholarships allowed him to study in England, Holland, Belgium, France, Spain, Italy, Switzerland, and western Canada. After several short assignments, Lochhead was hired by the University of Saskatchewan, Regina College, in 1950 to direct the School of Art. He was also charged by Dean William Riddell to develop what became the Norman Mackenzie Art Gallery.

Under Lochhead's guidance, both the School and the Gallery flourished, attracting vibrant personalities and generating excitement. At this time Lochhead developed a distinctive style, producing such notable works as "The Kite" (1952), "The Dignitary" and "The Bonspiel" (1954). As well, he began to win major commissions, completing an enormous wall mural at Gander Airport in Newfoundland in 1957-58.

With Art McKay, Ron Bloore, Ted Godwin, and Doug Morton, Lochhead displayed his paintings at the National Gallery of Canada in 1961 in the show "Five Painters from Regina". In 1964, however, he was the first to leave Regina, accepting teaching positions first with the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, then York University in Toronto, and finally the University of Ottawa.

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