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UNA-Canada Unveils Mural at the ROM!
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Toronto – The United Nations Association in Canada’s Toronto Youth Advisory Committee, *Youth4Water* collaborated with young Canadian artists Patrick Thompson and Jenifer Rudski to create the mural “It Starts with a Drop.” Focused on protecting the regions’ source water, the mural is on display in the Royal Ontario Museum’s (ROM) new Schad Gallery of Biodiversity devoted to exploring and protecting life on Earth.

Youth4Water is comprised of youth from the Institute at Havergal College and Toronto Community Housing. Originally supported by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), they have been working for two years on gaining a deeper knowledge of the critical water issues facing us in Toronto and around the world. The mural project was sponsored by Toronto & Region Conservation Authority’s CTC Source Protection Committee. These young leaders brought their knowledge of the region’s priorities in protecting drinking water to their art.

The mural, a set of four panels each three meters high and one and a half meters wide depicts Lake Ontario and the Toronto skyline. Its scale implores Torontonians to re-think Lake Ontario – their water.

Find attached a picture of some of the *Youth4Water* mural participants with the artist facilitators. The picture was taken at 918 Bathurst Street at an International World Water Day event, March 21, 2009.

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