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THE “REAL” BUZZ ON BROADWAY

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan - May 29, 2017 - A collaborative endeavor between Saskatoon artist Monique Martin, students from Georges Vanier Catholic Fine Arts School (Grade 7 and 8) and St. Philip School (Grade 7), Dr. Barry Brown from Bar2Bee Honey Ranch and Calories Restaurant is bringing real buzz to Broadway Avenue.

When: Monday, May 29, 1 pm

Where: Behind Calories Restaurant, 721 Broadway Avenue

Followed by a reception with students and honey inspired snacks at the Broadway Theatre

May 29 is the Day of the Honey Bee in Saskatchewan. The beehives painted by Monique and her students will be populated with bees from Dr. Barry Brown’s bee colonies and installed on the roof of Calories Restaurant. The small reception at the Broadway Theatre for over a hundred students who participated in the project will feature honey inspired snacks, talks by Monique and Dr. Brown and showing of *The Bee Movie*. The paints for the project were sponsored by locally owned and operated Days Paints & Design and Humblebee Candles.

One of the main goals of the new beehives on Broadway is to educate and engage the community regarding bee population and health issues. Dr. Brown will provide his apiary expertise and guide the maintenance of the beehives. The honey produced by the bees will be used in the preparation of foods and beverages at Calories Restaurant. The beeswax will be used by Brittany Friesen of Humblebee Candles to make candles for use at the restaurant. In addition, the neighbouring Nutana gardens, including Calories herb and rooftop gardens, will have 40,000 or more brand new pollinators—the best buzz for any gardener.

Calories Restaurant hopes to bring the rooftop beekeeping trend already adopted by other large cities in Canada and around the world to Saskatoon. “We welcome the addition of these tiny workers to our team at Calories. Bees are an essential part of our ecosystem and without them we would not be able to enjoy many of the fruits, vegetables, nuts and plants we cook and eat. We are thrilled to be part of a project aiming to bring nature closer to our urban landscape and participate in local sustainable food production while increasing awareness of the vital role bees play in our lives,” says Remi Cousyn, chef and owner of Calories.

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