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Bill Megrail and Jean-Gabriel Lambert Open at Galeria Dante

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Jean-Gabriel Lambert was born in Montréal, Canada. The artistic journey that he embarked upon twenty years ago has led him around the world in a quest for inspiration. For the past few years, his favorite destination has been Mexico, Puerto Vallarta in particular, where he is inspired by the light and colors of its spectacular natural environment.

Lambert first came into the public eye through acting and dance. As his voice and dance technique developed, his imagination took free rein. He directed a video in which he played two characters who confront one another. Later, he added writing and singing to his artistic accomplishments and soon after, in a natural progression, he began drawing and painting.

Again and again, his canvases interweave intimate stories and universal issues. In 'Global Warming,' inner turbulence finds its echo in the cosmos. In another painting, we imagine ourselves floating above an immense landscape, and at the same time, we see a wound on a body. The paint is laid on densely, darkly,

with blues the color of night bordering white beaches, like waves of serenity.

The human form is never very far away. Often, figures insinuate themselves into the paintings, taking shape through the abstract gestural flux. Figurative images rise to the surface: here a mouth and there, a body... words written directly onto the canvas convey a closer relationship to meaning, leaving the work open and in movement. A canvas never has a single meaning when seen through the eyes of others, it lives and it grows.

Jean-Gabriel Lambert's artistic expression continues to emerge and assert itself as he moves forward in life. In the three years that Jean-Gabriel has shown in Vallarta his works have matured considerably. He is one of Galeria Dante's best promoters. His enthusiasm for his own work and fellow artists is endless.

Please show your support of these two fine artists on Saturday, January 8th, from 6 to 10 p.m., when Galeria Dante will host an exposition of Megrail's and Lambert's newest works. For more information, call 222-2477 or view paintings on Galeria Dante's website www.galleriadante.com.

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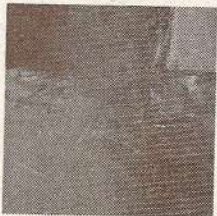
Saturday, January 8, 2005
Cocktail Reception 6 - 10pm

Bill Megrail



"By Way of Blossoms"

Jean-Gabriel Lambert



"Conchas Chinas por la Manana"