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Renowned Texas Artist, Bert Long Jr., Exhibits at HCG Gallery

"My Daily Bread" will show December 5 – January 10, 2009

(November 17, 2008 – Dallas, Texas) – This winter, Dallas' HCG Gallery is proud to host artist Bert Long Jr. and his latest show "My Daily Bread." Following a private reception on December 5th welcoming Long Jr., HCG Gallery will display his art from December 5, 2008 through January 10, 2009.

Houston native Bert Long Jr., a self taught artist, received his formal education in Adult Education from UCLA in 1972. Working in a variety of mediums, Long Jr., has gained national and international recognition throughout his career for his thought provoking art. He describes the philosophy behind his work as "a quest to help people diagnose their inner self", believing his art to be "the vehicle to help facilitate the process,"



Riding the Tiger, acrylic on canvas with artist made frame, 110 1/2" x 113 1/2", 2000

Throughout his career, Long Jr. has received multiple commendations for his contribution to the art world. In 1990 he was awarded the Rome Prize Fellowship and was recognized as Texas Artist of the Year. Most recently, he has been named Artist of the Year by Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts. Long Jr. has advanced his work by completing an installation of a 30 foot painting commissioned for THE LOSCAN Library, as well as signing a contract for a book by renowned writer Thomas McEvelly, and participating in a documentary film, premiering in February of 2009, by award winning FilmWorks.

Bert Long Jr.'s work continues to gain notoriety as it is seen in over 100 private and public collections worldwide. His work can be seen in public collections including Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC; Dallas Museum of Art; Museum of Fine Art, Houston; Arkansas Art Center, Little Rock; Bell Telephone, Houston, TX; Highland Distributing Co., Houston; Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii; Chicago Library; Grupo Larios, Spain; Instituto de Bachillerato, "Mario Roso de Luna", Logrosan, Spain; Office of the Mayor, Berzocana, Spain; Fabric Workshop Museum, Philadelphia; Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont; *Dallas Morning News*; Gallerie Dario, Boccara, Paris, France; SBC Collection of 2000 Century Art, San Antonio, TX; Jack S. Blanton Museum, Austin Museum, Austin, TX; and San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts.

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For more information on Bert Long, please visit www.bertlong.com.

HCG Gallery is located at 1130 Dragon St, Suite 190, Dallas, TX 75207.
Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday, 10am -6pm, Saturday, 11am-4pm.
For more information, please visit www.hcggallery.com or call 214 906-8474.