**JULIANA LACHANCE**

*World Records*

Recycled vinyl records, acrylic, multimedia, found objects

“This display celebrates the relationship between folk art and music. I incorporate Ukrainian motifs typically found within pysanky, mandalas and various international folk traditions. The goal is to blend traditional with my contemporary influences, mush neon colors, collage and pop-culture iconography.

This work is heavily influenced by my hometown music scene in Hamilton, where the community nurtures and inspires one another. My folk music is inspired by the past traditions and the grittier elements of the Hamilton underground music scene.

Each hand-painted vinyl record is unique and emits an energy though the colors, symbols and shapes. My goal is to uplift my audience, but also utilize visceral imagery inspired by psychedelia to challenge their perceptions of what is possible in visual art. I want to take my audience on a journey that connects them with their own creativity and inner-child.

Folk music is the voice of the people and shows the evolution of pop culture. Through the display I have added my own touch to this tradition adding my own voice. With the vinyl record art I am telling my story of evolution, transformation and finding beauty in the darkness.”

- Juliana LaChance

**About the Artist:**

Juliana is a multi-disciplined artist ranging over the genres of painting, new media and music. Her art and music intertwine to create sonically vibrant and melodic visuals and sounds. Juliana plays the bandura, a Ukrainian folk harp, in addition to the auto harp. She has written and recorded 7 full length folk albums and 3 pop albums. Her passion for combining music with visuals, has helped her direct 6 short films and 40 of her own music videos. With a body of work spanning over 300 paintings and 20 murals through the city of Hamilton, her work aims to create transformation and beauty in the world.
To view more of Juliana’s work or to contact her, visit www.julianalachance.com or on social media Instagram @JulianaLachance or Facebook @artbyJulianaLaChance

Juliana’s work in the Anne Foster Windows will be on display until February 25, 2020.

The Anne Foster Windows:
As part of the City of Hamilton, Tourism and Culture Division’s ongoing support of the creative industries, local artists are invited to create and install window displays that celebrate Hamilton’s music scene. This space, the Anne Foster Window, is a fitting home for music themed displays as the entryway lead to the Anne Foster Music shop for almost 50 years (1947-1995).

For more information visit www.hamilton.ca/annefosterwindows