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PRESS RELEASE

Ron Terada *Soundtrack for an Exhibition*

Opening Friday December 8 at 8 pm

Exhibition dates: December 9, 2000 to January 13, 2001

The Or Gallery is pleased to present a solo exhibition by Vancouver based artist Ron Terada. *Soundtrack for an Exhibition* is a continuing project conceived and first exhibited as a poster produced by the Western Front, then as wall text at the Illingworth Kerr Gallery in Calgary. *Soundtrack for an Exhibition* is an evolving list of song titles; the basis for a "mixed tape" of recommended listening. For the Or, Terada has created a scrolling list of these titles on video. The video will be projected and will appear much like a credit sequence one might see at the end of a film. The video will be accompanied by an audio CD, available at the gallery, and complete with a recording of each song in the list.

From the early 1990s Ron Terada has worked on intimately scaled and fastidiously rendered paintings that incorporate a variety of found texts. These texts have originated from a wide variety of sources, including answers from the game show *Jeopardy*; quotes from the artist's High School yearbook; ads culled from the personals section of local newspapers, as well as from advertising out of high-end art magazines for solo exhibitions in prestigious European and American private galleries. This recent work departs from these socially located texts to become more self-reflexive. The work is private soundtrack to an unseen movie and echoes the growing advent of web based audio download sites that allow consumers to sidestep packaged CD's to craft and disseminate their own audio playlists.

Gallery hours are 12 to 5 Tuesday through Saturday

Please be advised the gallery will be closed for the holidays from

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December 23 to January 2 and will reopen with our regular hours on Wednesday January 3, 2001

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