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## Tsi Nahóten Karihwanákere No'nenk - News Release

### **Kahnawá:ke to take part in major artistic unveiling**

#### **For immediate release**

(2, Enníska/February 2005) Concordia University is hosting a ceremony on Friday, 4 Enníska/February to unveil a statue, to be entitled "The Emergence of the Chief," that will grace a new facility to be inaugurated later this year at the university's Loyola campus.

Richard Renault, the new facility's major benefactor, wishes to acknowledge that the land upon which the building is built is Mohawk Territory. He commissioned artist Dave McGary, who will be introduced at the ceremony, to do the sculpture.

Chief Tiorahkwathe Gilbert will provide the opening, while Grand Chief Michael Ahríhron Delisle will address the gathering. Several Kahnawa'kehró:non, including elders and former Concordia students, are invited to witness the event.

"I have to commend Mr. Renault for both his commitment to higher education and his knowledge of our place, as Mohawks, in history," said Chief Delisle. "He has displayed great respect for our people by commissioning this monument to acknowledge that fact that this is, indeed, Mohawk Territory."

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