Artist makes an exhibition of himself

ampbellville artist Tom Dietrich was on hand to welcome guests to the grand opening of his new Art Exhibition at the Dorland-Haight Gallery in Milton. The renowned artist's work was on display from February 26 to March 15 and included one piece in particular which caused a stir. A nude self portrait of Mr. Dietrich hung in the gallery window on Main Street, obscured by a window covering that featured a "peep hole" for those brave enough to peer through. "It's meant to be light hearted," said Mr. Dietrich of the large painting depicting him gliding over a forested landscape, colourful balloons grasped in his hand. "The piece is meant to be a response to the artwork that focuses on the female body... it provides the other side of the story. It plays a bit on the double standard of the presentation of the male and female body."

The self portrait was just piece of the large collection on display from the Campbellville artist. Many of the other pieces of artwork focused on looking at nature in new and different ways. "It's all about communicat-

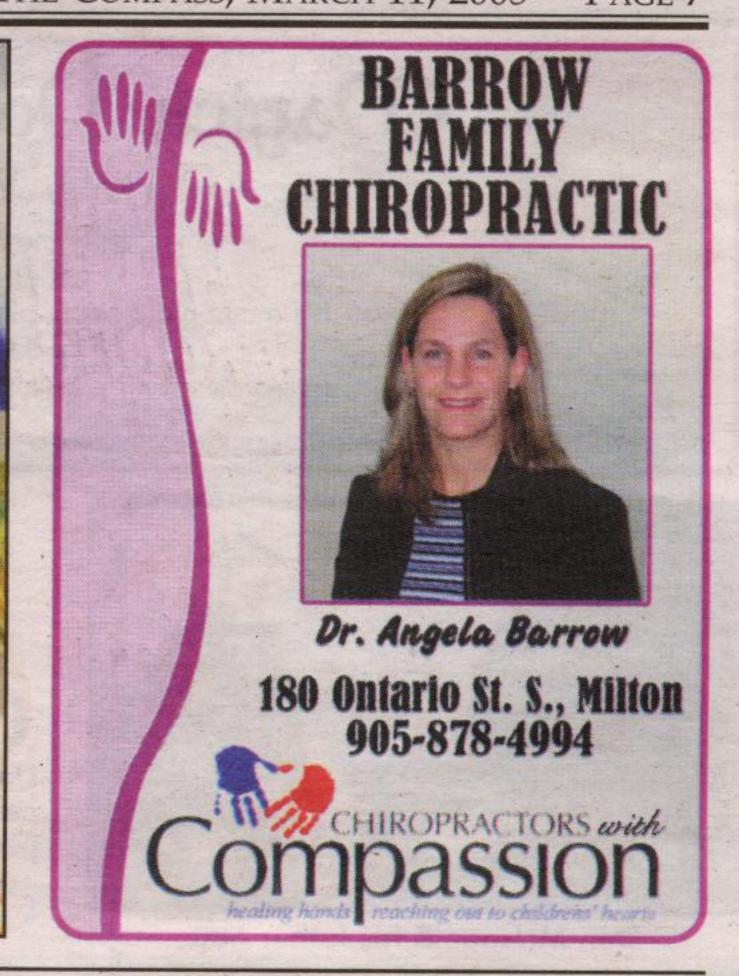
ing our connection to the environment and challenging our notions of what is ideal," explains Mr. Dietrich of the artwork, much of which sold very quickly to an appreciative audience.

Also on hand for the evening was Milton artist and Compass reporter Ann Kornuta. This was Ms. Kornuta's first show and her charmingly off-kilter paintings of local landmarks also drew rave reviews. "I've received a number of requests for more paintings of Main Street stores," said the irrepressible young artist, whose work will remain on display at the Dorland-Haight Gallery indefinitely. "It was really a wonderful night and very exciting."

PHOTOS BY DONNA DANIELLI Pictured are artists Tom Dietrich (top) and Ann Kornuta.



PHOTO BY STEPHEN BAKER Pictured here at the Fine Arts Society of Milton's From Heart to Hand exhibition is Janis Hodgins in front of one of her works. The exhibition was held on March 4th and 5th at the Milton Sport's Centre and attracted showings





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