

## Koffler Gallery installation

# Amar renovates Beth Tikvah

TORONTO...A major installation by Toronto artist Georgia Amar, based on her commission to renovate the East Wall Chapel of the Beth Tikvah Synagogue in North York, opened at the Koffler Gallery on September 7. The exhibition will continue until October 10.

The Beth Tikvah commission involved the design and creation of stained glass windows and sanctuary doors. Based on the theme of the six days of creation, this installation is the result of Amar's in-depth studies into the technical, emotional and

iconographic components of colour, light, lighting and rhythm. The Koffler Gallery exhibition will feature Amar's maquette for the Beth Tikvah Chapel and will include the use of programmed lighting to simulate, in a matter of minutes, the effects of natural changing light.

Alongside the chapel installation, the exhibition will include the working oil paintings, collages, prints, glass studies, programmed lighting and other related studies —

most finished works of art in their own right — associated with the commissioned project. This will allow added insight into the artist's technical working process, her exploration into the relationship between the container and the contained, and her research into how to create a feeling of well-being within a confined space, regardless of its function. Redefining ~~space~~ space and rendering it sacred is the unifying theme of this exhibition.

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