



Title: Urban Series - Progress

Year: 1995

Artist: Gloria Kagawa

Medium: Acrylic and lacquer on canvas

Location: Kitchener City Hall, 2nd floor lobby
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Acquisition Method: Other (Arts Works Festival)

Today the synthetic environment rivals nature as a driving force in our lives. In Urban Series: Progress, the foreground is dominated by 20th century urban architecture, while the arches and battlements of past eras, seen in the middle ground, are in better harmony with the glimpses of the natural world seen in the background. We seem to have lost that balance. Progress is a cautionary piece indicating a need to keep our organic origins in sight...otherwise we could progress to extinction.

-Gloria Kagawa, 1989