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Winnipeg's Wanda Koop 'astounded' by \$25K prize ALAN SMALL | 03/08/2016



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Wanda Koop's latest honour covers a lifetime contribution to the arts, but the Winnipeg painter says she's just getting started.

Koop is one of eight artists to receive Governor General's Awards to Visual and Media Arts announced Monday. She receives the honour at a ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa on March 23 and an exhibition of works from the eight winners will be on display at the National Gallery of Canada from March 24-Sept. 5.

It also comes with a cash prize of \$25,000.

"I'm very honoured to have over 40 years of artmaking acknowledged like this," Koop says. "I'm astounded. I'm doing what I've always done and will always do."