Pop et Frye lecture Jan. 14 at UdeM campus art gallery

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Lecture coincides with multi-artist exhibition

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The first Pop et Frye lecture of the new year will take place Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Louise et Reuben Cohen Art Gallery on the Université de Moncton campus coinciding with the opening of the "Beyond Words" exhibit.

Artist George Fry will speak on the work of 19 of New Brunswick's most accomplished artists that centre on the book's theme.

Artist Brigitte Clavette will present a lecture in French, followed by a reception. The event gets underway at 5 p.m.

The concept of the "book" goes back a few years when craftsman and writer Fry began making one-of-a-kind books and decided to invite painters and crafts people to offer their interpretations.

The exhibit is intended as an exploration of what books mean to us and their role within our culture, our conclusions and subconscious selves, said one exhibit organizer.

Fry's past roles included director of art education for the Saint John School board, director of craft development for the Province of New Brunswick and director of the New Brunswick College of Craft and Design. He has also contributed to many art exhibits locally, nationally and internationally.

Other artists taking part in the exhibition are Jim Boyd, Darren Byers, Fred Harrison, Kathy Hooper, Susan Vida Judah, Andrea Meeson, Alison Murphy, Peter Powning, Peter Thomas, Linda Brine, Toby Graser, Susanne Hill, Sue Hooper, Elma McKay, Brian Meeson, John Murphy and Karen Shackleton.