



Sculpting a path to better brain health at Baycrest

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Gina Godfrey's latest art creation was a no-brainer.

The Torontonian is among 100 artists from around North America who made brain sculptures for the second annual edition of The TELUS Health Brain Project which raises awareness and money for research into brain health and aging at Baycrest Health Sciences—in Godfrey's case, for the second year in a row.

The sculptures, which include those by other Canadians of note, including skater Kurt Browning, retired CBC anchor Peter Mansbridge and Spirit of The West's John Mann, go on display around Toronto, starting July 11.

Godfrey, whose parents lived at the North York health centre into their 90s, unveiled

her sculpture called, *Luminescent* — which is destined for Nathan Phillips Square — to family and friends at her 17th-floor art gallery at Postmedia's Bloor St. offices on Wednesday afternoon.

The majority of the "brains" will be sold at auction and last year's effort raised \$1.3 million.

Godfrey, who describes her bright yellow-and-blue-with-eyes sculpture as contemporary art, says she was inspired by her nine grand-children, ages one to 12, — eight of them girls — for her artwork.

"Some of the heroines of animation like *Finding Dory*— Dory, who had that kind of blue and yellow look — and *Avatar*, who actually had the yellow eyes and the blue body," Godfrey told Postmedia Network.

"Both heroines, both

females, and if anyone takes a look at my brain — yes, it is a female — so this was a nobrainer for me to do. *Finding Dory* was one of my favourite movies. It shows you where my brain is."

It was Godfrey's son and daughter-in-law, Noah and Erica, who founded the brain health project last year after seeing art on public display (specifically the Faberge egg hunt in New York City).

"They'll be all over the city — so check out the brains," urged Noah who addressed the gathering briefly.

Godfrey's husband, Postmedia CEO Paul Godfrey, who is also is the vice-chair of Baycrest's board of directors added: "What we hope to accomplish is to make more people aware of the great problems of Alzheimer's and concussions and brain health."

Facial ID for iPhones?!

iPhone 8 will reportedly be doing away with the fingerprint scanner and will feature a 3D face scanner that will allow users to unlock their phones, open secured apps and even make authorized transactions. Recently, its competitor introduced iris scanners on the Samsung S8, allowing users to unlock their device with just their eyes. The iPhone 8 is expected to be released later this year, marking the smartphone's 10-year anniversary. — MURISSA BARRINGTON

Iglesias T.O. concert postponed. If you had tickets for the Latin pop double bill of Enrique Iglesias and Pitbull on Thursday night (July 6) in Toronto at the Air Canada Centre, you're going to have to wait for a few more months to see them. The concert has been postponed to Oct. 15 at the same venue due to Iglesias suffering from "illness." Tickets for the original show will be honoured at the new date, which follows the duo's previously announced Oct. 14 date at the ACC or refunds are available at point of purchase. - JANE STEVENSON