

# NewSketches

Lunenburg Art Gallery

Spring 2006

## Lunenburg County School Show a Giant Success!

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### UPCOMING SHOWS

#### May 30 - June 25

Hallie Watson, Oil & Pastel  
"Treasure"

#### June 27 - July 23

Carol Morrison, Oil  
"Colour & Rhythm"

#### July 25 - August 27

Eliza Shurman, Watercolour  
"Organic Impressions"

#### August 5 & 6

Paint Sea on Site

Nova Scotia Artists' Wet Paint Sale

#### August 29 - October 1

Sheila Lewis, Watercolour  
"A Nova Scotia Year"

#### October 3 - October 29

Lunenburg Art Gallery Members

#### November 4

Attic Art & Collectibles Sale  
10:00am - 1:00pm

### UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

**Judy Caborn** - May 8th - 10th  
Watercolour/collage

**Charles Reid** - July 25, 26, 27  
The human form

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Lunenburg County elementary students displayed a colourful array of artwork.

The Lunenburg County Art Fair for Elementary & Middle Schools opened to a full house of beaming young artists and proud family members and friends. The show continued to be popular throughout its run.

The Opening of the Lunenburg NSCAD Students' Show was very well attended, with sales on the opening night and more after that.

We are looking forward to the Opening of the next show entitled "Two Sides" featuring photographic works of Renate Hempel and David Burns.

The Opening Reception is Tuesday, May 2 at 5:00 pm and we encourage all members to come out to support these visiting artists.

"Two Sides" runs from Tuesday, May 2 until Friday, May 28, 2006.

**Please Note:** The Planning & Exhibition Committee is now accepting applications for 2008.

#### **Lynn Gillard**

Chair, Planning & Exhibition Committee

## PAINT SEA ON SITE

Plans for the Paint Sea On Site weekend are coming together well. The committee is working hard to ensure this event is a huge success! The major change this year is the date... **everyone please note** ... Paint Sea On Site will take place August 5th and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Registration forms have been mailed out to artists who have previously taken part. Registrations will be accepted from 60 artists this year. For further information on registering, please contact Colleen Galloway .

E: colgal@eastlink.ca.

Paint Sea On Site is now being advertised on a few websites. There is information on the town's website under 'Special Events Calendar' and also at Nova Scotia.com under 'Festivals and Events'. And of course, you can Google Paint Sea On Site and the page from the Gallery's website will appear!

**Volunteers:** There are many jobs to be done on the weekend of Paint Sea on Site so any members who care to lend a hand will be welcomed with open arms! You don't need to commit to the whole weekend... a few hours, one day or two ... come out and join the fun! Please contact Melanie Cooke after May 1st if you care to volunteer.  
Ph: 634-9428  
E: cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca

See you then!

### Melanie Cooke

Chair, Paint Sea On Site

## Lunenburg Open House

On Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> (10am – 9pm), and Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> (1 – 5pm) the Gallery will be hosting artists participating in the “Lunenburg Open House”.

If you would like to participate by painting on-site either in the Members' Gallery or outside the gallery (if weather permits) for a couple of hours, please contact Christine Hurlburt to register.

Ph: 640-4044

E: lag@eastlink.ca

### ATTIC ART & COLLECTIBLES SALE

We raised a record amount at the Attic Art and Collectible Sale in 2005. I believe it was just over \$2800.

As we go into the summer, please remember to hoard any and everything that you think may sell well at the sale on November 4th this year.

Please mark the date on your calendar and pass the message on to friends and family.

Thanks,  
**Gill Osmond**

Chair, Attic Art and Collectibles

### ISLAND PAINT OUT

#### SUPPORT THIS GALLERY FUND-RAISER

Saturday, September 9, 2006.  
Come paint on Eastern Points Island with J'Anna Jacquelyn in the morning and a festive picnic lunch. Afternoon is free. Cost \$95. All inclusive. Limited to 30. Phone 640-4044 for further details!

### WEBSITE NEWS

We are conducting a little experiment with the website to see how much revenue can be generated from advertising. You will notice Google Adsense ads now appear on the home page and the exhibitions page. Whenever anybody clicks on one of these links, a few cents are deposited in an account set up for the gallery.

So far, the results are not particularly encouraging. However you can directly enhance the advertising revenue by clicking like crazy on these ads every time you visit the site.

The membership list is now available online to Board members. Anyone having difficulty accessing the list online should contact Doug Cooke.

Ph: 634-9428

E: webmaster@lunenburgartgallery.com

### Doug Cooke

Chair, Website

## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

**Charles Reid - July 25, 26, 27** - It is not too late....we have spaces available. Charles Reid is from New York State. He has written several books and has had workshops all over the world. He is known for his loose easy style. The workshop will focus on the human figure with models for two days and portraits from old photographs the last day. Come and get inspired from this outstanding portrait artist. Learn how to observe and really "see" the shapes of the body and how to use your watercolours for simple, brilliant results.

I would like to thank the artists who participated in the Heather Beaton workshop in March. It was a huge success!

For more information or to register for these workshops please contact Lezlie Morgan.

Ph: 543-2248

E: lezliemorgan@hotmail.com.

### Lezlie Morgan

Chair, Workshop Committee



## GIFT CASE GUIDELINES

Members displaying artwork are permitted to have in the Gallery, at any given time, no more than:

- One dozen note cards at a time
- Only 5 (original and/or prints) for rack and/or Gift Case.

The Gift Case can only accommodate artworks 7 x 9" or smaller. Contact Shirley Powers for more information.

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### Shirley Powers

Chair, Gift Case

## MEMBERSHIP

So far this season, we have 93 paid memberships, with 63 who are artists. Our new membership form on our website - [www.lunenburgartgallery.com](http://www.lunenburgartgallery.com) - can be printed, completed and mailed along with the appropriate membership fee. Or if you prefer, you can pay at the Gallery.

We appreciate memberships being paid as soon as possible, since April 1 was the deadline. All artists should remember that their 2006 membership must be paid before they will be eligible to hang work in the Members' Gallery.

### Melanie Cooke

Chair, Membership Committee

## GALLERY HAPPENINGS

**Artist's Biography:** It would be helpful if all artists could submit a bio page to be included on our website as well as for the binders located in the Gallery and the Tourist Chalets. Potential buyers come in wanting further information and it is both a missed opportunity and possible lost sale for the artist. Many thanks to those artists who have submitted bios last season, and I look forward to hearing from those who did not. For submissions of work for our website please contact Doug Cooke.

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**Frames:** Artists, please let me know if you will consider selling your work without its frame. We attempt to get the full price but if a buyer only wants the art and I know you are interested, I can take care of that sale. If anyone wants to consider going this route, please call me and I will add you to the list. I would need your name, alternative price and how to remove the work from the frame.

**Members' Library:** Ruth Flower, President, has started a Members' Library including some of her own publications as well as other donated

books. We are currently using the desk drawers of the computer desk in the Members' Gallery. As our resources build, Ruth would like a rack of some sort put on the wall of the kitchen area. If you would like to borrow some material, please do not forget to sign in and out on the sheet in the drawer. Anyone with material to donate please talk to me.

**Volunteers:** Our Membership Form is on our website. It is the Policy of the Gallery that a paid member displaying any artwork should contribute as a volunteer in some way.

We have had over 400 visitors since the schools' show opening on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, some of who were from Australia, Bermuda, California, Germany, Iran, Switzerland, Ontario, and the HRM area. Local residents drop in, and it is great to know that they support their gallery and enjoy the shows. Let us be hopeful for a prosperous 2006 season.

### Christine Hurlburt

Gallery Attendant

## MEMBERS GALLERY

There will be a changeover of artwork in the Members' Gallery on Friday, May 26 from 10:00am - 12 noon for submission of new artwork. Work must be no larger than 20 x 26" overall.

New this season will be a "Featured Artist in the Members' Gallery". The wall facing Pelham Street will be available for a 2 week period for the featured artist to display their work. This season is full, but there are still openings for 2007. Please contact Mary Brownless or Christine if you would like to reserve space.

### Mary Brownless

Chair, Members' Gallery

**MEMBERS' GALLERY  
"FEATURED ARTIST"  
GUIDELINES**

This space is available for two week periods during the regular season of the Gallery. The work hung there is not a "show" or an "exhibition" but a display of several works by a solo artist. This will highlight one person's work and attract more visitors to the Members' Gallery.

Unfortunately the gallery space is too confined to be appropriate for anything but hung work. Further, if you want several paintings displayed you would need to keep your work small.

All arrangements are up to the artist and the artist will be responsible for hanging their own work

Hanging of work (clear with Christine that the gallery is open) will be during regular gallery hours. Work must be taken down and removed from the gallery by 5pm on the final day. **We do not have any room for storage of art.**

**Openings:** If you wish to do this it must be during regular gallery hours. Christine will help with sales. Refreshments should be cold (punch and cold snacks of some kind) as the kitchen will not be available for cleaning up. Provide your own paper cups etc.

**Publicity:** The work must be referred to as "featured artist in the MEMBERS' GALLERY of the Lunenburg Art Gallery – dates, location etc. If sending out invitations you might say for example: "You are invited to visit a display of my new work in the Members' Gallery of the Lunenburg Art Gallery".

If running an ad in the paper it should be a small ad in the classified – so as not to be confused with the regular exhibitions in the Exhibition Gallery.

Please clear your plans beforehand with either Mary Brownless or Christine, and we will help where needed.

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

A new year is upon us with the usual challenges and solutions.

First of all I would like to welcome our new Board members.

Mary Catharine McDonnell has taken over the position of secretary. Lyn Gillard is our new Planning and Exhibition Chair and Maureen McCabe heads Hospitality. My heartfelt thanks to the three of you for your willingness to take on these tasks!

We do not have a Volunteer chair this year and are relying upon Christine to communicate with you all as the need arises for gallery assistance. In particular she will be assisting Maureen in procuring refreshments for our openings. All members are expected to work on Hospitality for at least one opening- providing some dish and help set up and cleanup. Artists in particular, who receive the most tangible benefits from the gallery, will be called upon. Please cooperate.

We have improved our hanging system by substituting chain and S hooks for the former wire and screw hooks. It's proving to be much simpler and makes hanging less onerous. So much so that it is now possible to change the pictures in the members' gallery more frequently. This should result in more exposure for the artists, a more interesting space, and more sales. In addition the window wall in this gallery is reserved for a "featured artist". For two week periods one artist will use this wall exclusively. There are guidelines at the gallery for this use and artists should arrange with Mary Brownless for their turn.

Our biggest challenge this year is to increase our fund raising events. The expense of rent and an attendant salary is quite a different picture from the old days when the town provided space and we made do with volunteers and a student. Paint Sea on Site has been our mainstay but we should not have all our eggs in one basket. We are hoping to repeat the Gala wine tasting and Art auction we had some years ago in 2007. This will be a major effort and need many workers.

For this year we have put together a unique fundraiser in the form of "A Paint Out" on Eastern Points Island which will include boat transportation, festive lunch, and elective instruction. We can accept 30 people. We will have the expense of hiring the boat and buying food. Gill and Jan are willing to take care of the "fixin's". The event will take place on September 9 – a description is available on our website and the cost is \$95. Pass the word around and help make this venture a success.

I look forward to working with all of you to make this year at the gallery fun and successful.

**Ruth Flower**  
President

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