

# NewSketches

Lunenburg Art Gallery

Summer 2006

## The Sun Shines for Paint Sea on Site 2006

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### UPCOMING SHOWS

**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



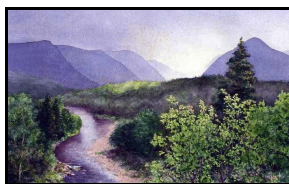
Artists at work at Paint Sea On Site

### PAINT SEA ON SITE 2006

Paint Sea On Site was held on August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> this year and was a very successful event. The weather was an improvement over last year, as it rained on Saturday in 2005. Although 72 artists registered to paint, 60 actually ended up participating. We had 198 bidders; 128 from Lunenburg County and 70 from elsewhere. Bidders were from as far away as Saskatoon, Calgary, Victoria, Florida and many cities in Ontario. There were also several bidders from the Halifax area and the Valley. A total of 256 paintings were sold at an average price of \$75.00. The highest bid on a painting was \$475.00! Thirty-four paintings were bought at the

"take away" price. Some artists participating traveled from Texas, Kentucky, California, Cape Breton and New England. **MORE ON PAGE 2 »**

Sheila Lewis 2007 Calendar  
"A Nova Scotia Year"  
On Sale in the Gallery



### ITEMS NEEDED

If anyone has a computer they are not using and would care to donate it to the Members' Gallery it would be greatly appreciated.

Another item the Gallery could make good use of is a paper cutter.... the "guillotine" type with the blade that rises and falls vertically.

If you can help by donating either of these items, please call Christine at the Gallery at 640-4044. Thank you!

**Paint Sea on Site 2006 (cont'd)**

There are a couple of outstanding bills yet totaling approximately \$295.00, so the profit to the Gallery should be just under \$9000.00.

Sales from paintings:	\$18,948.70
Paid to artists:	\$ 9,491.50
Expenses:	\$ 2,371.80
Income not sales:	<u>\$ 2,128.93</u>
Profit:	\$ 9,214.33

Several local businesses made donations this year, which helped the committee keep expenses down. Claussen Walters & Associates Ltd. donated \$250.00 toward the Saturday buffet served to the artists and local grocery, drug and variety stores contributed items for the "goodie bags" given to the artists. As well, Paint Sea On Site received a grant of \$250.00 from South Shore Tourism. We are very grateful for all of this support and hope to pursue fund raising to a greater extent for next year!

This year also saw the involvement in Paint Sea On Site of 11 students from the Lunenburg schools, grades 6-9. The student event was organized by Cindy Dial and was a huge success. The student art was not put up for sale but was on display as a "tent-event" in the park area next to the fire hall. Comments were welcomed by the students. Each student will choose one piece of their art from PSOS to be displayed in the Members' Show at the Gallery in October. The registration fee that the students paid included a Junior Membership to the Gallery. We thank Cindy for all her work and look forward to the participation of students again next year!



**Students from Paint Sea On Site**

The PSOS committee also wishes to thank Christine Hurlburt, the Gallery attendant, for ALL of her help in the preparations for Paint Sea On Site. She made our jobs so much easier!

A big thank you goes out to all of the committee members who worked so hard throughout this past year organizing Paint Sea On Site. Thank you, too, to all the volunteers, the artists, the buyers and those who contributed in any way to the success of the event this year.

**PLEASE NOTE  
NEXT YEAR'S DATES:  
JULY 28 & 29, 2007**

Please consider getting involved. It is great fun. If you are interested, contact Melanie Cooke at 634-9428.

**Melanie Cooke**  
Chair, Paint Sea on Site Committee

The Paint Sea on Site Committee congratulates Dustin Wenzel, on his first-ever sale, entitled "Portrait of the Artist In Yellow Shirt".



Dustin is one of two artists in the newly established one-year studio NSCAD residency programme in Lunenburg.

**Congratulations, Dustin!**

**ATTIC ART & COLLECTIBLES SALE**

The Attic Art and Collectible sale will be held at the Lunenburg Fire Hall on **Saturday, November 4th** from 10am-1pm.

This fundraiser brings in well over \$2000. every year and helps to defray our winter expenses. The success of this sale depends on donations from all of our members. The gallery is delighted to accept donations from non-members, so please encourage your friends and family to visit their attics too!

Treasures such as paintings, prints, frames, jewelry, glassware, silver and plate, china, linen, scarves, vintage clothing, quilts, ornaments, new gift ware, CDs, DVDs and books are most acceptable. We would prefer not to have furniture but all other novelties and collectibles are welcome. Please set aside a box and start sorting through your treasures now.

All members will be advised as to delivery times or you may call Christine at the gallery or Gill at 624-9626 for further information.

Thanks,

**Gill Osmond**

Chair, Attic Art and Collectibles



**Workshop participants**



**Watercolour Portrait of Laird Wilton by Charles Reid**

**WORKSHOP UPDATE**

Thank you to all those who participated in our 2006 workshops by Heather Beaton, Jude Caborn, Charles Gruppe and Charles Reid.

The workshops were all very successful and enlightening. The instructors were inspiring, encouraging and delightful - thank you for coming to our beautiful part of the world.

**Lezlie Morgan**

Chair, Workshop Committee

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

As of August 18<sup>th</sup>, the membership in the LAG stands at 124. Of this number, 86 are artists, 81 are exhibiting and 5 are non-exhibiting. There are 17 new members this year and the membership includes people from New Brunswick, Manitoba, British Columbia and Ohio as well as

around the province of Nova Scotia.

The membership chairperson wishes to extend a big thank you to the Gallery attendant, Christine Hurlburt, for her help in keeping the membership list up to date!

Also, after 3 years in this position, the Membership chairperson will step down at the end of this year and hopes that someone will step up to fill the spot. The LAG Webmaster has set up a very efficient database so keeping the membership list up to date is very easy. Please consider volunteering for this position for 2007!

**Melanie Cooke**

Chair, Membership Committee

**CHRISTMAS ART MARKET*****Attention all LAG members!***

I know you don't want to even think about winter yet, but we thought you'd like to know that the Lunenburg Art Gallery will be holding a festive Christmas Art Market at the Gallery on Pelham Street on December 1, 2 and 3.

This ties in nicely with the popular outdoor Christmas Market and other events in Lunenburg on that weekend.

Planning is in the early stages but our theme will be:

**“SMALL AND AFFORDABLE ART”**

paintings, carvings, fibre art, pottery, etc., as well as cards (both original and reproductions).

So, LAG artists, you now have a new creative project to think about. Stay tuned for more details!

Laurel Haslett/Colleen Galloway

**Member Artists**

**Don't forget to check the LAG website in early September and give us your feedback on Paint Sea on Site.**

<http://www.lunenburgartgallery.com>

**GALLERY HAPPENINGS**

To date, we have had over 1800 visitors representing many countries of the world since the schools' show opening in March. Local residents drop in, and it is great to know that they support their gallery and enjoy the shows.

The Featured Artist Wall in the Members' Gallery has been well received and the local folk enjoy looking forward to new artwork every other week. If you are interested in reserving a space for 2007, please

contact Mary Brownless 634-8815 or Christine Hurlburt 640-4044.

**Biographies:**

It would be helpful if all artists could submit a bio page for our website and the Members' Bio Binder in the Members' Gallery. We

also have a Bio Binder at the Tourist Bureau for your use. At times people come in wanting information on a specific artist that we don't have. It is both a missed opportunity and possible sale for the artist and our Gallery. If you need assistance please contact Doug Cooke, our Web Master at 634-9428 or email at: [cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca](mailto:cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca)

Doug is also able to help you display your artwork work on

the slide show that runs daily in the Members' Gallery.

**Frames:** Sometime buyers want art without the frame and with or without the matting. If I am not able to contact the artist it might mean a lost sale. If anyone wants to consider going this route I would need your name, alternative price and how to remove the work from the frame.

**Members' Library:** We have publications available for any member to borrow. Please remember to sign out and in on



Paint Sea On Site Artist at work

the sheet provided in the drawer. We are currently using the desk drawers of the computer desk in the Members' Gallery, with the hopes of having a rack of some sort to put on the wall of the kitchen area as our resources build. Please contact me if you have material to donate. Thank you.

**Christine Hurlburt**  
Gallery Attendant

**MEMBERS' GALLERY UPDATE**

Please pick up your paintings and other artwork on Sunday October 1, from 1-5 p.m. when you bring in your paintings for the Members' Exhibition in the main gallery. This show is to be hung on October 2 and all other work must be removed.

**Mary Brownless**  
Chair, Members' Gallery



**Clowning around at PSOS**

**GIFT CASE**

You, our member artists', have provided a great variety of work this season and to date the Gift Case sales have been brisk. We look forward to displaying more of your artwork, with the hopes of continued sales for the rest of the season.

Please note that all items must be priced prior to dropping off at the Gallery. Thanks for your cooperation!

**Shirley Powers**  
Chair, Gift Case

**MEMBERS' SHOW**

A Members' Show will run from Tuesday, October 3rd to Sunday, October 29th. Both sides of the Gallery will be employed for this unjuried show, which will also include artwork from young artists who participated in Paint Sea on Site. Each member may bring 1 large (no larger than 24" x 18" framed overall) or 2 small (12" x 12" framed overall). If you would like to participate in this show, you may drop off your artwork to the Gallery anytime on Sunday, October 1st between 1 and 5pm. Please have a price and title in mind when you arrive and write your name on the back of the painting. We will do a tag to place on the wall beside the painting. We are closed on Monday, October 2nd, and that is when the Hanging Committee will hang the show. The Opening Reception for this show will be Tuesday, October 3rd at 5pm. Should you have questions, please direct them to Christine Hurlburt at the Gallery.

Thank you and we're looking forward to a great show!

**Lynn Gillard**  
Chair, Exhibition and Planning Committee

**STEVEN RHUDE**

Recent Paintings & Text by Steven Rhude

**HUNG OUT TO DRY: The Saga of Community X**



**OPENING RECEPTION**  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2006  
6 - 8 PM - ARTIST IN ATTENDANCE  
SHOW CONTINUES UNTIL OCTOBER 18

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Collins Bank Building  
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**MEMBER NEWS**

Recent work by Steven Rhude features new paintings, text and an installation.

Please join us for the Opening Reception Friday, September 15, 6pm-8pm. Show Continues until

October 18, 2006.

All are Welcome. The Artist will be in Attendance

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Cover from "A Nova Scotia Year" Sheila Lewis' Calendar

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Greetings

I do hope you all will make an effort to attend more general meetings. I know that everyone is very busy, particularly this time of year, but your input helps determine the direction of the gallery. What we are has evolved over the years and is still evolving- where we go is where you take us.

Lunenburg now has nineteen galleries of one kind or another and aspires to be the art centre of Nova Scotia. Where is our place in this scheme of things? As a non-profit gallery what can we do in the appreciation and promotion of art not possible to commercial galleries

Certainly our exhibits by visiting artists and our workshops go beyond the functions of the other galleries. Also we make it possible for members to exhibit their work when they might not find a spot in a commercial gallery.

Last but not least we make a very real contribution in the schools.

Are these things that you as members wish to have continue?

Occasionally I hear rumblings that we should do more to promote our member artists; that the Exhibition area should house their work, that this is what tourists want. I must point out that the Lunenburg Art Gallery was never conceived as an artists' cooperative, nor as an attraction for tourists. Sometimes new members are unaware of this and are disgruntled. There may be a place for such an organization in Lunenburg - but who's to say it would welcome all our artist members.

This gallery supports the exhibition of their work through fund-raising, a large part of which is done by non-artist members. The composition of the gallery is, I think, unique.

You might say we are made up of collectors, artists, connoisseurs and good- hearted citizens who like to enjoy and encourage the good things in life.

We are very fortunate.

### **Ruth Flower**

President, Lunenburg Art Gallery

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