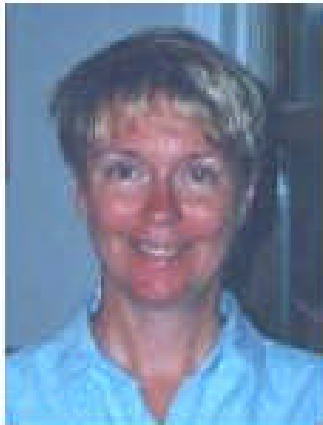

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Celebration: Solo Exhibition by Tricia W. Savoie



Featured Artist - Tricia W. Savoie

During the month of May, Tay River Gallery presents Celebration, a solo exhibition of paintings by Tricia Savoie.

If you have an opportunity to see this exhibit, you won't be disappointed. Tricia Savoie's paintings are easily recognizable as 'Savoie paintings' and have a magical quality of drawing the viewer into the scene. Tricia's works depict her imaginative renderings of everyday life; a meandering footpath into a secluded grotto, a peaceful parkbench amidst a wild garden, meadows, streams, the rustic doorway of an abandoned mill.

No 'weekend artist', Tricia lives her art; when she isn't teaching art, or taking classes or painting with other artists, she is exploring the locale for the setting of her next painting. She is definitely always on the go pursuing her passion with relentless energy and enthusiasm. Countless times when I have tried to contact Tricia she



Old Fashioned Friends

would return my call from half way across the country; up near Quebec City, in Montreal, the Gatineaus, and around Algonquin Park .

Part of Tricia's philosophy incorporates the belief that something can be learned from any artistic creation viewed, no matter what the medium. Tricia draws from several genres, including Impressionism, Realism, Photo-realism and classical, adopting from each to produce her own distinctive style, which may be best described as Interpretive realism.

Tricia has a deep-rooted passion for colour and light, and a great love of the outdoors, and paints on location at every opportunity when an idyllic garden or pastoral setting presents itself.

Tricia is a member of both the Foyer Gallery, located in the Nepean Sportsplex, and the Kanata Civic Art Gallery, in Kanata. Her paintings proudly hang in private and corporate collections in the United States, Great Britain and across Canada.

Events Around Town

Spring is here and so are many of the annual studio tours and fine art exhibits. Here are a few of the highlights. For a complete listing of the events in May, see the Humm, www.thehummm.com, local arts and entertainment newspaper for the Perth, Almonte and Carleton Place areas.

Country Lanes Studio Tour, in its tenth year, takes place on the long weekend, May 17, 18 and 19^h. from 10 - 5 p.m. daily. The Tour starts in rural Carleton Place and runs to rural Perth. Artworks by twenty-two artists at 8 studio locations including jewellery, pottery, sculptures, woodwork, paintings, photography and stained glass.

Four artists with works featured in Tay River Gallery will be participating in this Tour: Victoria Jenkins (pottery), Ray Rovas (woodturning), Graham Turnbull (stained glass) near Carleton Place and Karen Phillips Curran of Ferrytales Studio (watercolours and mixed media art) at Rideau Ferry. Many other talented artists are also featured on this tour so be sure to take a day to enjoy this experience. Check out the web site www.countrylanestour.ca for details or pick up a brochure with map and information at Tay River Gallery, at the Canadian Tire in Perth, Dairy Queen, Hwy. 7 Carleton Place, or Rideau Ferry Store.

Merrickville Fine Arts Fest, of original art takes place the long weekend as well from May 17 to 19th. from 10- 5 p.m. at the Merrickville Community Centre. Cimarron Knight, mixed media artist of Cimarella Studio in Merrickville will be exhibiting for the second year at this show. Two works by Cimarron are currently featured in the Tay River Gallery Spring Show.

At the Gallery

The Spring Group Show, **Idyllic Scenes and Images**, paintings and photography by gallery artists, continues on the upper floor to June.

Next month's group show will feature an exhibition of works by the Ottawa Valley Photographer's Co-op from June 1 - 21.

New to The Gallery

Ladies fashions, by Tranquility Designs, a spring collection of stylish jackets in a variety of spring colours.

New Figurative sculptures by Jannie van Eijk.

Ladies fashions featuring Catherine Kelly's summer dresses with matching reversible jackets, and vests.



Call for Submissions from Visual Artists

We are looking for submissions from artists working in watercolours, acrylics, pastels, mixed media, or coloured pencil for summer exhibit.

Call for Entries- July Show on Rhythm

Tay River Gallery is accepting submissions from Ontario artists on the theme of Rhythm for the juried show for July 2003. 2-D or 3-D art works, short poetry/prose pieces, single track music compositions and short film segments can be entered. One entry per individual. See application details on the Events page of our web site. Deadline for submissions is May 31. We have limited space for exhibiting so larger works (over 3 ft.) can not be accommodated.

Famous Quotes of Artists

We know more than we can tell.
Michael Polanti

Mental life is the result of the brain's serendipitous sidesteps, its knack for discovering new uses for old structures, in turn making leaps to develop new ways of seeing.

William Calvin

Consciousness is born in the realm of opposites.

Charles M. Johnston

Music is your own experience, your thoughts, your wisdom. If you don't live it, it won't come out your horn.

Charlie Parker

I merely took the energy it takes to pout and wrote some blues.

Duke Ellington

There is no must in art because art is free.

Wassily Kandinsky

Only when he no longer knows what he is doing does the painter do good things.

Edgar Degas

I believe that if it were left to artists to choose their own labels, most would choose none.

Ben Shahn



Parting Thought

Last night, as I was sleeping
I dreamt - marvelous error! -
That I had a beehive here inside my heart,
And the golden bees
Were making white combs
And sweet honey
From my old failures.

*Antonio Machado from Times Alone,
Translated by Robert Bly*