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Shirley Mancino: Converging Worlds at Tay River Gallery June 2007



“Converging Worlds”, a major solo exhibition, opened on June 1st featuring the paintings of Shirley Mancino, Westport Ontario artist. Over 100 paintings, both framed and unframed by this talented prolific artist are on view for the month of June. The reception was held on Saturday June 2nd in the afternoon and Shirley was on hand to discuss her work with visitors to the gallery.



Shirley Mancino travels to Asia every winter and her dramatic figurative, landscape and abstract paintings are largely inspired by her travels. She has traveled to Asia nine times since 1991, and has painted hundreds of works depicting the people and places of India, Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam and Laos.



Her joie de vivre and passion for art are evident in her striking works. This is a show with a significant wow factor. Colour and composition are boldly and deftly applied with drama in presentation. With even her figurative works, Mancino prefers to leave something to the imagination, so there is an air of mystery and nuance with her paintings. This spectacular show clearly demonstrates Mancino's facility working with a variety of media, and a breadth of subject matter.



Shirley completed 4 years at the Ontario College of Art, and studied at the Haliburton School of Fine Arts, Seneca & George Brown Colleges and Belles Artes Institute in San Miguel, Mexico. Shirley's paintings are in collections in United States and Canada. She is a member of the Rideau Lakes Artists Association and OMMA.

Shirley is represented by six galleries in Ontario, and her works have received an impressive array of awards, including the prestigious "Juror's Award" at the Toronto Watercolour Society in 2000. Over the past few years Shirley has been invited to be a juror and an art critic for several art associations.

No dabbler with a paint brush, Shirley is a committed hard working professional artist who also provides excellent art workshops in her studio in Westport. In her classes she stresses experimentation, looseness and freedom. Her enthusiasm is contagious, and students are enthralled by her teaching style and often return to take further workshops.

Summer Splash July 4 – August 31st 2007

Summer Splash is the upcoming summer- long fine art exhibition and sale at Tay River Gallery featuring works by 28 regional gallery and visiting artists. Summer fresh paintings featuring water and colour, glorious colour will bring the 'splash' to your summer. A wide selection of small and large landscapes/seascapes, figurative works, florals and abstracts will be displayed throughout the gallery.

Featured artists include Heather Assaf, Anne Barkley, Normand Baril, Catharina Breedyk Law, Deborah Czernecky, John Alexander Day, Karen Phillips Curran, Jean Gauvreau, Karen Goetzinger, Ann Gruchy, Catherine Kelly, Shirley Mancino, Martha Markowsky, Marianna Mikhaylyan, Andrew N. Olscher, James E. Pay, J. Allison Robichaud, Leslie Rohonczy, T. Wilmot Savoie, Mary Schofield, Antal Serences, Gudrun Schutz, Connie Spencer, France Tremblay, John Topelko, Vivien Tylor, Bill Veale, Gary Webster, and David Zimmerly.