



Karen Bishop
Artist

Artist Statement

My work is not intended to be a faithful reproduction of the landscape before me. Instead I paint by feel. The paintings that evoke the most emotion are those completed on location where I am able to allow my surroundings and the weather to dictate how I proceed. I try not to worry about the ending, rather I let the painting unfold and track its own course across my paper.

For me painting allows that perfect quiet, where I am peaceful and at peace with myself, and my surroundings. It's an escape from the everyday, a chance to experience the earth more fully, a chance to breathe and know that all is well.

To put it simply, I paint because it makes me happy. My hope is that the viewer can find a similar joy and peace in my work.

Artist Biography

I was born in Cheltenham, England, in 1968 and moved to Kingston, Ontario, in the winter of 1992. When I first arrived in Canada I was unable to work while I waited for my papers, so I made use of the time by enrolling in some art classes which I enjoyed very much. In 2002 I graduated from the University of Alberta's Extension centre with a Fine Arts certificate. Since 2007 I have been pursuing my art full time and in May of 2011 I opened The Daffodil Gallery in the heart of Edmonton's Gallery district.

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