

Exhibition “Spring Colours” by The Society of York Region Artists

After months of monochromatic shades of gray, it is time to embrace spring! Prepare to be dazzled by the kaleidoscope of colours from the Society of York Region Artists palettes. This is a group show with a wide variety of mediums represented.

The online show will remain online for the month of April. All work is for sale. Please contact Shelley Ware sware@aurora.ca if you are interested in purchasing a piece.



“Gramma’s Tea Towel”

Catherine Fairs
(16” x 20”)
Oil on canvas
\$820

My paintings always include something or somewhere I love! Having never met my paternal Gramma, I have a few treasured items and stories. She was a wonderful cook and many of our family recipes and the tea towel are from her kitchen.



“Hope”

Maria Petrov
(36” x 48”)
Oil on canvas
\$700



“Innocent and Desirable”

Willo Rodrigues
Graphite on paper
\$500



"Iris"

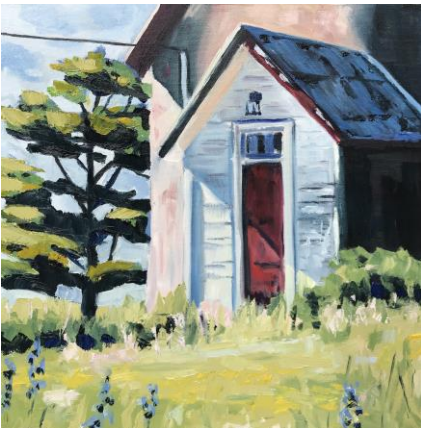
Rosie Schroder
(16" x 16")
Watercolour
\$225



"It's My Party"

Karen Lee Garrido
(48" x 36")
Acrylic on canvas
\$800

It is inspired by feelings of appreciation of what I see in front of me...
And, remembering to embrace all of it...
New growth starts from nothing and becomes something...
Spring is an inspiring time of year...



"Manitoulin Days"

Bill Lunshof
(14" x 14")
Oil on canvas
\$300

This painting is from a photograph taken on Manitoulin Island in early summer 2018. It just has a nice vibe and I tried to capture that feeling of time being slowed down in my painting.



“Orange Tree”

Melinda Schnalzer
(14" x 16")
Oil on paper
\$300

Toward the end of the winter, I look towards the brightness of the sunny days to come. Having something alive and colourful helps bridge the time to Spring. The contrast of the orange to green, and the shape and texture of fruit and leaf called me to pay attention, and get out the brushes.



“Paradise 1”

Philippa Hajdu
(30" x 24")
Acrylic collage
\$400

Spring is a time of rebirth. To me flowers represent spring. Since this painting was created in the winter, there is a sense of yearning here for warmer weather and more colour.



“Prez in Brook”

Sam Dinatolo
Photoshop



"Uptown Strut"

Michele Carlino-Tamane
(16" x 22")
Oil on canvas
\$475

Spring is about new life, new beginning. Over the years, I have sketched these large, and amazing birds. I have watched the numbers increase as well as how they have adapted to our environment. The goslings are always protected. The reference photo was shot in Newmarket.



"Colour Field"

Pam Pritchard
(24" x 24")
Acrylic mixed media
\$300

The piece was made as a direct response to our world crisis and the need to share brightness through bleak times.



"Bee Happy. May"

Elena Gaevskaya
(24" x 24")
Oil on canvas
\$600

Elena created this artwork as a greeting for the most wonderful time of the year. I believe we all need a little bit of happiness in our lives, especially nowadays.



"COVID-19"

Thelma Sellers
(30" x 24")
Acrylic
\$400

This painting shows my feelings about the COVID - 19 pandemic which none of us in the world has ever experienced – a surreal and frightening time where we are challenged to be creative and work together as we never have before. Driving along a Georgina road, I noticed this unused barn, which fell last summer in a windstorm. Symbolic of our current reality, I felt moved to paint the image.



"Dance of Death / Wave of Fear"

Vikki Mikkola
(21" x 17.5")
Acrylic pour with sparkles and acrylic paint
\$250

The wave starts and reaches out to the edges of the painting/ world and is being sabotaged by the red specks of the virus- like the fear of what is happening right now in our world. The calm turquoise wave also represents the passage of time when this virus will be washed away. I work in an Essential Service and see people every day. Many are frightened- that death will overtake. In a way it's a dance with death- intricate steps to take.



"Dutch Garden"

Christine Valentini
(10" x 13")
Watercolour and ink
\$225

This artwork is one of my tulip paintings that was inspired by a visit to the world's largest flower garden. The Keukenhof Garden near Amsterdam, Holland has 80 acres of flowers, 7 Million tulips and 2000 varieties of Tulips. It is a magnificent place and a must on your bucket list.



"Wind of Babylon"

Janna Kozoub
(30" x 40")
Oil on canvas
\$2200

The peony is a flower which blooms briefly. Fragile petals symbolize our life, which is also fragile and fleeting as the spring. We shall also one day disappear in the same fashion as the beautiful city of Babylon.



"Historic Gardens"

Sandra Haines
(12" x 16")
Oil on canvas
\$280

This artwork is of the beautiful Historic Gardens in the Annapolis Valley in Nova Scotia. When I took the photo of these flowers, I just knew I needed to paint them.



"Peony Show Down"

Ingebord Dohle
(20" x 24")
Acrylic on canvas
\$475.00

Peonies are my favored flowers. At the time of bloom, we often have heavy rain! Therefore, you have to be very fast with your painting-- Tomorrow it may be too late as they could be all flat on the dirt!



"Just Carry On"

Sibernie James-Bosch
Digital photo art
\$225

Life is rather fuzzy right now. Drawing upon our true nature from deep within, we discover a wellspring of love, beauty and resilience.



"Spring Landscape Shepherds Bush"

Giullermo Gillis
(30" x 40")
Mixed media on canvas
\$500

I was inspired to paint this as we started to have some warm days, I have painted this landscape in both Winter and Spring and am always intrigued to see how the landscapes in my neighborhood are ever changing.



"Peeking Through"

Sylva Sroujian
(24" x 18")
Acrylic on canvas
\$380

Peeking Through the colourful flowers, I see a bright and calm future.



"David Dunlap Observatory, Richmond Hill"

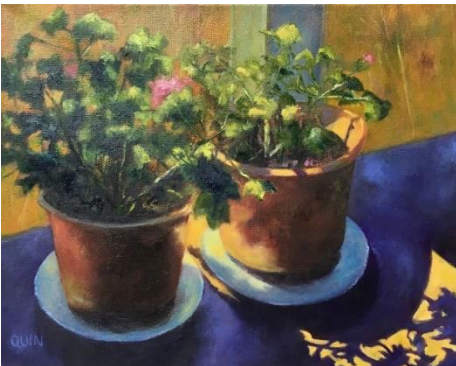
Alexandra K. Conrad
(15" x 22")
Watercolour on paper

\$820

I have been going for walks to the DDO area for years and each time I went I was impressed with the structures of the telescopes and the magnificent trees surrounding the buildings.

When walking there, I was lucky to see foxes and deer, and lately coyotes.

Being so inspired by the structure, I created a watercolour painting titled "David Dunlap Observatory (DDO), Richmond Hill". As we celebrated Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation, this painting is one of the chosen artworks in the Street Banner Contest organized by the Town of Richmond Hill. DDO is the astronomical observatory since 1935 with the largest 74-inch (1.88 m) reflector telescope in Canada. It has been designated the world heritage site on July 31, 2019.



"Warm Spring Day"

Lucy Quintero
(11" x 14")
Oil on canvas
\$250

The story behind this painting: I took the reference photo some weeks ago. I was worried about the Covid19 news and what the future will bring to us. I went to the kitchen and saw how the warm sun was shining over the flower pots, creating those amazing shadows over the table. It was a beautiful and serene scene, and somehow it reminded me that there is darkness but there is also light and one cannot exist without the other one. I know it is not easy, but I believe we can find hope and beauty in everything and it is my hope that we all do our little part to help each other now and one day soon when our lives go back to normal, we will better human beings with the lessons we have learned.