

Collective Art Project



Canadian Cancer Society **Société canadienne du cancer**

This work of art is the result of the united creativity of cancer survivors, volunteers, Canadian Cancer Society staff, and Moncton artist, Reg Noël. The group was brought together to create this piece for the 8th East Indian Charity Dinner and Auction. The participants were asked to bend 6 pieces of copper. Next, together as one, they guided the artist in the positioning of their unique creations within the fresh concrete surface. After the initial stage of collectively creating the work of art, the artist brought it to his studio to clean and add colour to it. The result is an artistic expression representing what great things can be accomplished through cooperation and teamwork. This work of art is also an expression of commitment from the Canadian Cancer Society in finding a cure.



Participants: left to right

Joan Barriault, Joan Ramsey, Terry Roberts, Cindy Floyd, Julie Lewicki, Reg Noël, Pauline Cosgrove, John Cosgrove, Belinda Allen, Sharon Godsoe. Absent from photo: Andrea Hearn

Artist Biography:

Originally from the Acadian Peninsula, I have lived in Moncton area since the age of 10. On February 26, 2004, after a series of events, I was made aware I had creative abilities that, up to that point, I was not using. I was advised that if I wanted to express this creativity through the visual arts, I would be wise to "do something different".

"Do something different"... were the last words I had in mind when I fell asleep on February 26th, 2004. The next morning, I woke up with the idea of using concrete and copper to express my creativity. To date, I have passionately produced in excess of 250 works.

Parallel to my artistic career, I also offer art based team building workshops. In this role, I help attendees understand the critical importance of having an individual and personal passionate endeavor. Discovering our "core passion" has a profoundly positive impact on our quality of life. Do you know what your "core passion" is?

When I discovered my passion for the visual arts, I discovered much more than a new career; I discovered a philosophy of living. I condense this philosophy in these few words... we were created to live passionately.

This journey has opened my eyes to possibilities I had never before considered. Everyday, these possibilities shape my life for the better.

My sincere hope is that you discover as much pleasure though seeing my works as I have while creating them.

Thank you:

Dear friends,

My medium makes use of a combination of noble materials, namely, recycled copper, acrylic paint and concrete. This unusual mix offers a very tactile and engaging experience. I derive immense pleasure and enjoyment from this medium, especially when the resulting work of art reflects a collaborative effort from several people.

It was with great pleasure and honor that I created with you this magnificent work of art and I thank you for the opportunity.

Remember, we were created to live passionately.

Reg Noël
Professional Artist-Public Speaker
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