

DUNEDIN CREATIVITY ART RETREAT



A special art, writing and yoga experience to explore your own unique creative journey in a spectacular country setting in Dunedin, a quiet little hamlet filled with artists overlooking the banks of the Noisy River – a few miles west of Creemore, south of Collingwood. It's our 13th great year!

- * 1 and 1/2 hours north-west of Toronto
- * internationally-acclaimed instructors
- * drawing & painting; oil, acrylic, watercolour
- * yoga/meditation/relaxation/massage
- * gourmet lunches, dinners and snacks
- * absolute beginners to advanced

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CREATIVITY ART RETREAT

LOCATION The Dunedin Creativity Art Retreat is located in a fabulous, newly-renovated 160 year old general store/post office attached to a 2000 square foot loft/warehouse studio, flanked with east and north floor-to-ceiling windows, just steps from the Noisy River. There's a huge deck and flowers everywhere! We are about a 1.5 hours drive north-west of Toronto, near Creemore, 15 minutes south of Collingwood. Between April and October we offer an exciting range of 2 - 6 day workshops, lectures and happenings.

Absolute beginners to advanced, welcome.

INSTRUCTORS are an internationally-acclaimed, award-winning, hand-picked group of teachers committed to helping participants work through artistic personal journeys to find their own creative marks.

MEALS We offer delicious gourmet lunches, dinners and snacks served on the site by our finest chefs. Dinners vary depending on each workshop - please check the schedule. For off-nights, restaurants abound in nearby Creemore and Singhampton.

YOGA/PILATES is offered an hour each day on the deck overlooking the river – a combination of stretches and breathing techniques, great to release tension and enhance creative spontaneity – especially after a long day of painting. Wonderful for you, but only if you wish!

ACCOMMODATION In the MAIN HOUSE and right next door at the RIVER HOUSE GUEST HOUSE. To avoid disappointment, please reserve your room while confirming your workshop reservation. **Call early to avoid disappointment!** Lynn Connell at 416.531.6528 or 705.466.5552



REGISTRATION

Discount: \$25 off with every new friend you bring!

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Half payment: Due on registration

Remaining due: April 15, except for Walton workshop: due June 01.

PAYMENT: VISA or by cheques, payable to the Creativity Art Retreat. Please send deposit and remaining payment with post-dated cheque.

Before April 15, mail to:

Lynn Connell, 40 Argyle Place, Toronto M6J 2Y6

After April 15, mail to:

Lynn Connell, RR#4, Creemore, Ontario L0M 1G0

CANCELLATION POLICY

Full refund if we cancel. Full refund, less \$40. service fee if you cancel up to 3 weeks before. After that, full refund less \$40. only if your space is resold. Otherwise only the meal portion will be refunded, not the workshop fees less \$40 only if your space is resold. Otherwise only the meal portion will be refunded, not the workshop fees.



DUNEDIN CREATIVITY ART RETREAT '09 ...13th great year!

SCHEDULE 2009

Please note: prices do not include materials (except Weekenders), 5% GST, or accommodation.

WEEKENDER: Drawing and Painting

Absolute Beginners

LYNN CONNELL

April 17 - 19 \$295

June 12 - 14 \$295

July 24 - 26 \$295

TODAY'S CLASS: A Drawing and Painting Extravaganza

Intermediate to Advanced

CASEY McGLYNN

April 26 - May 01 \$485

May 24 - 29 \$485

INTRODUCTION TO OILS

Beginners to Advanced

JOHN ANDERSON

May 10 - 15 \$485

EXPERIMENTAL PAINTING

Intermediate to Advanced

PETER KOLISNYK

June 21 - 26 \$485

COLOUR YOUR WORLD!

Beginners to Advanced

KATO WAKE

July 5 - 10 \$485

MEDITATION and CREATIVITY

Everyone Welcome

MOLLY SWAN

July 19 - 24 \$485

INTENSIVE PAINTING & DRAWING ENCOUNTER

Beginners to Advanced

DOUGLAS WALTON

August 15 - 21 \$795

PURPLE HILLS 2009 STUDIO TOUR

at the Creativity Art Retreat and in Creemore
Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27

2 OCTOBER DRAWING & PAINTING WEEKENDERS

Absolute Beginners

LYNN CONNELL

October 16 - 18 or October 23 - 25 \$295 each session

The Artists and Their Workshops

Prices do not include materials, 5% GST, or accommodation. Please check www.lynnconnellart.com for a complete description of the workshops, instructors, material lists, magazine articles, map and updates.

APRIL & MAY

WEEKENDERS: DRAWING & PAINTING

...a la Douglas Walton and everything I know!

Absolute Beginners

with **LYNN CONNELL**

APRIL 17 - 19 3 days – \$295 + GST.

JUNE 12 - 14 3 days – \$295 + GST.

JULY 24 - 26 3 days – \$295 + GST.

...includes materials, Friday and Saturday dinners, all lunches and snacks

For everyone who has ever wanted to paint, draw or make art, but who think they can't. YOU CAN! You just have to want to! This is the perfect workshop to get you started: intensive, inspirational, informational, fast-paced and geared to de-mystify and clarify the making of art, materials, techniques. Fun and easy, clear, empowering, based on the workshops I give in Africa with people who have never held a brush: drawing, painting, landscapes, still life and abstracts, using mixed media: acrylic, latex, charcoal, pastel and markets. EVERYONE CAN DO IT!

LYNN CONNELL has created and operated the Creativity Art Retreat for 13 years. She not only believes, but KNOWS that everyone can do it! An artist herself, (www.lynnconnellart.com), she loves teaching and sharing the tricks and techniques she has learned along the way, in Canada, U.S., Europe and Africa.

TODAY'S CLASS: A PAINTING AND DRAWING EXTRAVAGANZA

Intermediate to Advanced

with **CASEY McGLYNN**

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 to FRIDAY, MAY 1

SUNDAY, MAY 24 to FRIDAY, MAY 29

Each session \$485 + GST.

5 full days: includes opening & closing dinners, all lunches, snacks and daily yoga

Following inspiration and creativity - spontaneously creating major works on any ground in every environment. The constant practice of art making, from line to colour to surface, to concept, to form, to FREE! Layers and layers of ink, paint, oil, charcoal, pastel, plaster, paste, glue, sand, coffee...cutting, collaging, tearing, ripping, pasting, copying, 5-10 pieces at a time. On everything and anything: paper, canvas, board, wood. Your choice!

CASEY McGLYNN is a self-taught 'outsider' artist, known throughout Canada, the US and Europe for his primitive cave-like drawings and paintings of animals. He works from personal experience, emotional reflective ideas, concepts, whims and historical thoughts. Since 1995, he has exhibited with Bau-Xi Gallery in both Toronto and Vancouver, and in galleries extensively across the U.S. and Europe.

INTRODUCTION to OILS

An impressionistic approach with a shot of

John's contemporary attitude – colour, composition and technique

Beginners to Advanced

with **JOHN ANDERSON**

SUNDAY, MAY 10 to FRIDAY, MAY 15

\$485 + GST.

5 full days: includes opening & closing dinners, all lunches, snacks and daily yoga

I don't know anyone who knows and can convey so knowledgeably and with such enthusiasm, everything there is to know about painting in OIL: light, colour, composition, design, paint-mixing, brush-handling and paint application - all of which he ensures are learnable skills. John weaves into his workshop a knowledge of art history and painting tradition with a contemporary approach to 'plein air' painting - painting outside on the spot. His engaging approach is designed to take the fear out of art making, toward putting joy and fun back in, where it belongs.

JOHN DAVID ANDERSON is a veteran 'plein air' painter working primarily in oils. He has been teaching painting for more than 10 years, including in Curry's Art Store and Haliburton School of the Arts. John has been represented by Willow Gallery, Toronto, Mad and Noisy Gallery, Creemore, Ethel Curry Gallery, Haliburton, Waterfront Gallery, Collingwood, Double Doors Gallery, Anten Mills and The BMFA Gallery, Collingwood. John is Manager of Curry's Artist Materials, Barrie.

JUNE

EXPERIMENTAL PAINTING

Intermediate to Advanced

with **PETER KOLISNYK**

SUNDAY, JUNE 21 to FRIDAY, JUNE 26

\$485 + GST.

5 full days: includes opening & closing dinners, all lunches, snacks and daily yoga

Peter sets up this workshop in an exciting way, gearing it carefully and individually for each participant. Some participants draw inspiration from the river, hills, and rolling valleys outside the studio; others work on projects from home; others from their imagination. Peter works intensively one-on-one with each person, encouraging and challenging us to go further and deeper into our own

unique expression. This workshop is experimental – an exciting chance to use tools and materials you have never done before.

PETER KOLISNYK's workshops are almost impossible to get into in Toronto. A member of the Royal Canadian Academy and a former Director of Design at Glendon College, York University, Peter has taught and exhibited extensively throughout Canada and the U.S., including the AGO, the Winnipeg Art Gallery, Canada Council Art Bank and Robert McLaughlin Gallery.

JULY

COLOUR YOUR WORLD

The magic of colour, composition and design

Beginners to Advanced

with **KATO WAKE**

SUNDAY, JULY 5 to FRIDAY, JULY 10

\$485 + GST.

5 full days: includes opening & closing dinners, all lunches, snacks and daily yoga

Discover and explore your own unique sense and choice of colour, exciting possibilities of colour and design fundamentals, the mixing of colours and their interaction with one another, effecting mood. Colour theory will be based on the work of Bauhaus instructor Johannes Itten as a starting point for creating a series of small works for constructive feedback. Emphasis will be on process, individual expression and FUN. Kato's lighthearted yet constructive approach will inspire, delight and transform your work. Acrylic paint is preferred.

"Your workshop was a turning point for me! I'm aware of the influence of colour on my painting, in a way that makes me feel much more in control of the outcome."

KATO WAKE (katowake.com) has 20 years of experience teaching painting, design fundamentals and computer graphics, designed promotional materials for the Stratford Festival, taught at Toronto's international Academy of Design and was creative director for a Canadian Film Centre new media project. Currently Kato is the educational and creative director for billybestbottles.com and a freelance graphic and web designer. She paints in mixed media/acrylic.

MEDITATION and CREATIVITY RETREAT

To renew, review or begin your meditation practice.

Everyone Welcome

with **MOLLY SWAN**

SUNDAY, JULY 19 to FRIDAY, JULY 24

\$485 + GST.

5 full days: includes opening & closing dinners, all lunches, snacks and daily yoga

Five days of meditation and exploration with Molly Swan, offering guidance and inspiration - whether you are at the beginning of your

meditation practice, or whether you wish to renew and review your practice. The practice of meditation invites opening to stillness, allowing you the opportunity to cultivate and nourish deeply your receptivity and creativity with a willingness to let go into the unknown. In the silence of our time together, there will be periods of sitting and walking with instruction, periods of drawing and writing as mindfulness practice, some discussion and the opportunity for meeting with Molly. The intention is not to develop specific artistic skills, or to 'be' an artist or a meditator, but instead to open heartfully to the present moment, allowing clarity and creativity to be revealed and experienced, rather than something to get or do.

MOLLY SWAN loves to weave the modalities of meditation and creativity together in her teachings. Her background includes two degrees from The Rhode Island School of Design [Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Arts in Teaching], fifteen years of teaching art in the U.S. and Canada, and years of teaching Insight Meditation retreats and classes in Canada and farther afield.

For more details, visit www.insightmeditationretreats.ca

AUGUST

INTENSIVE DRAWING & PAINTING ENCOUNTER

with **M. DOUGLAS WALTON**

Absolute Beginners to Advanced

Saturday August 15 to Friday, August 21

\$795 + GST.

6 full days: includes ALL gourmet dinners, lunches, snacks and daily yoga

A WALTON workshop is an unforgettable experience: 6 full days of INTENSIVE drawing, painting, composition, lectures, critiques. Douglas, who has taught over 550 workshops world-wide in Morocco, Bali, Mexico, China, England, Guatemala, all over Europe and the US., teaches life through art as in The Artist's Way, with inspiration, sensitivity and humour. He believes 'WRONG IS RIGHT' and 'EVERYONE CAN DO IT' – that we all have artistic, creative ability, we just have to **want** to do it! For beginners he is a must; for more experienced painters, your work will catapult further than you could ever imagine. He is featured in the Hills magazine and in Watercolour magazine. (www.lynnconnellart.com)

"I couldn't imagine I could ever paint like this! Walton's workshop has changed my life...truly, the best holiday I have ever had... it was like falling in love for the first time!"
Toronto Body Shop owner

"I had a show three months after my first workshop with Douglas, and I'd never painted before! It was a miracle!"
High school principal

Walton workshops are highly in demand with artists returning year after year and bringing their friends. We always have a waiting list.
Sign up early!