

Lorne Julien and The Colour of Healing

Lorne Alexander Julien, a proud Mi'kmaq artist and member of Millbrook First Nation, Nova Scotia believes incorporating Indigenous art in public spaces is a simple act of reconciliation and moving forward in a spirit of mutual respect and understanding. His "Healing Journey" opens at ARTSPLACE Gallery in Annapolis Royal on Saturday, August 6th and continues through September 17.

Bright, bold colours are part of the healing therapy that Lorne Alexander Julien, is set to bring to ARTSPLACE Gallery in

Annapolis Royal. He specializes in contemporary, Indigenous, acrylic paintings and murals believes simplicity is beautiful, he specializes in rich, vibrant colours, finding inspiration in his visions and dreams.

"I like to think of my art, too, as colour therapy. Different colours may have different meanings to me, but I think using a lot of bright, vivid colours also lifts people's spirits at the same time," Julien says.

"Warrior on the Hill" (Sma'k-nis) is Julien's Mi'kmaq name, given to him in his youth when

he learned about the spiritual way of his people. Julien's artwork is itself a form of prayer, providing healing for the artist and the opportunity to bring healing to the world. Beginning with pencil sketches as a young child, Julien is a self-taught artist.

"We are so excited to be showcasing Lorne's art with the community in the main gallery at ARTSPLACE. Lorne's powerful and colourful images are definitely something to be experienced in person," said Ted Lind, ARTSPLACE Program Committee Member.

Julien creates murals in schools, institutions and public spaces in an effort to create safe spaces that are inclusive, respectful and honour Canada's Indigenous People. He has created murals in Kentville, Bible Hill, Annapolis Royal and Halifax and believes that incorporating Indigenous art in public spaces is a simple act of reconciliation and moving forward in a spirit of mutual respect and understanding.

Lorne Julien's "Healing Journey" opens Sat. August 6, 2022 from 12-2 pm with an opening ceremony at 12:30 that includes drumming, singing, and smudging conducted by Wanda Finigan from Bear River First Nation (L'sitkuk). Light refreshments served, all welcome. "Healing Journey" continues through Sept. 17.

ARTSPLACE is a public Art Gallery that is operated by the Annapolis Region Community Arts Council, a registered non-profit, charitable, community organization dedicated to encouraging and promoting the arts. Supported through the Province of Nova Scotia and the Canada Council for the Arts. ARTSPLACE Gallery is located at 396 St. George Street in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia



On his way to Debert, Glenn Joyce caught this fantastic shot of a double rainbow. Double rainbows are formed when sunlight is reflected twice within a raindrop, with the violet light that reaches the observers eye coming from the higher raindrops and the red light from lower raindrops. The colour sequence of the second rainbow is reversed.

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David Grant Retrieves Rod and Legal Catch

By Sally Janes.

My Kings Rest cottage neighbour, David Grant, had quite the experience on July 16, 2022.

David was bass fishing when he stopped to help another cottager with their dog who had a fish hook in their paw. When he turned around, his rod was gone and there was drag marks on the beach and into the water from his reel.

Sad he lost his favourite fishing rod, he searched the beach and flats when the tide went out. Suddenly he saw something white flip in the mud...it was a bass. David found his fishing rod with the 30' bass still hooked on the line!!! Thank goodness!!! Who would have thought!!!

Here is pictures I took of David . Happy to have his rod back and a legal catch!



David Grant stopped bass fishing to help a neighbour remove a fish hook from their dog's paw. Davis is shown with his legal catch when he finally found his rod. (Sally Janes Photos)

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