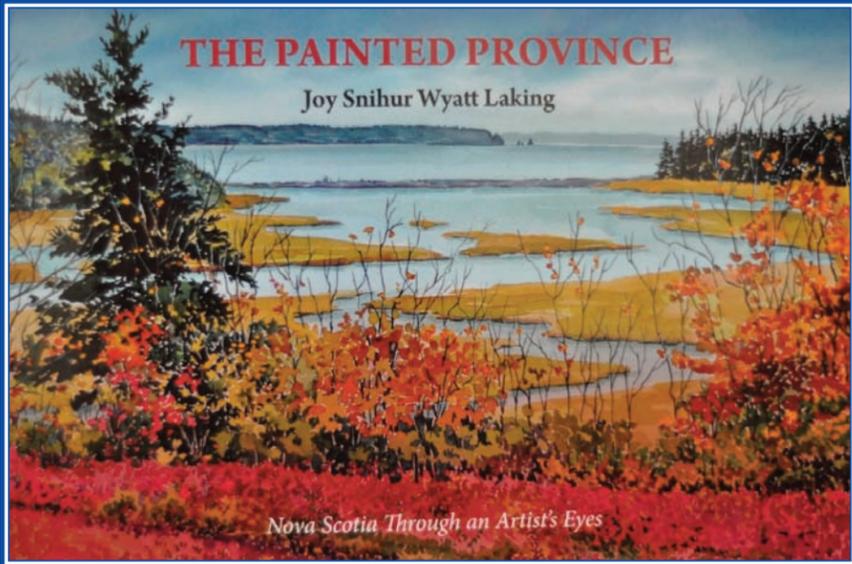


## PHOTO FEATURE

### The Painted Province: Nova Scotia through an artist's eyes.

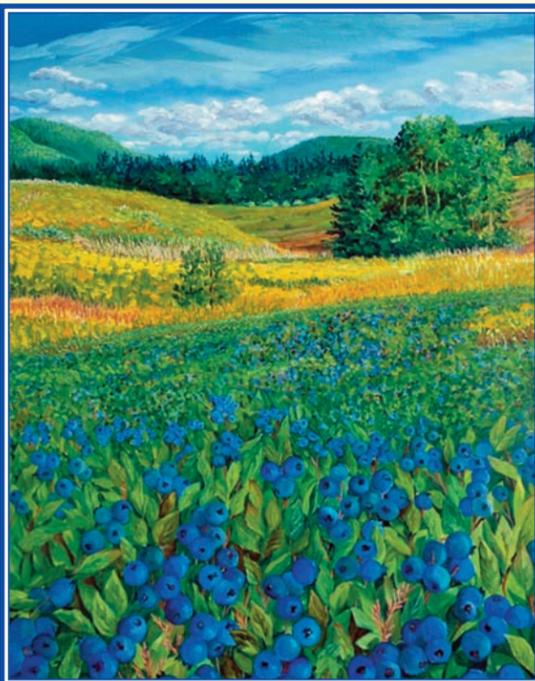
Joy Laking's new book, "The Painted Province; Nova Scotia through an artist's eyes" has arrived and is available at her studio or mail order. Due to CoVid-19 precautions the annual open house, which has enjoyed 30 plus continuous years has been cancelled this year. Her studio is open Saturday's until Christmas. Pictures included show Joy painting; Cover of the new book; Blueberries in Portauipque and Starry Night in Great Village.



Cover of Joy's new book, "The Painted Province; Nova Scotia through an artist's eyes".



Accompanied by text, this painting depicts a Starry Night in Great Village.



Blueberries in Portauipque, accompanied by text, is one of the 200 paintings included in the book.

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## Don't Let Your Cottage Be Targeted

Every year, the RCMP responds to multiple reports of break and enters at cottages and cabins during the winter months.

Break and enters are frequently crimes of opportunity at seasonal properties as they are often located in isolated areas, with decreased chances of criminal activity being noticed. This month, many cottage owners will be closing up their seasonal homes and Nova Scotia RCMP is offering some tips to keep seasonal homes free of thieves this winter: Remove all valuables from your cottage (including firearms); Lock / secure all doors and windows; Ensure all windows are covered by closing curtains or blinds; Ensure all out buildings (e.g., garage or shed) are secured. Remove valuables; Don't leave tools and items outside that could be used to break into your cottage. This includes ladders; Ensure that



your cottage is visited on a regular basis. Consider using a trail camera; Ensure your property is well lit, with motion sensors and timers on lights and Install an alarm system with a local contact person if you don't live nearby.

"Consider forming a 'cottage watch' program with other cottage owners to have properties checked on during the off-season," says

Nova Scotia RCMP spokesperson Cpl. Lisa Croteau. "The more difficult you make it for thieves to gain access to your property, the better."

The RCMP will always check with neighbours if a break-in occurs in an area. We encourage community members to call to report suspicious activity and help to reduce property crime. Taking note of details such as a vehicle description, a license plate number, or a description of a driver can be a big help and lead to the recovery of stolen property and charges against those responsible.

Nova Scotia RCMP can be contacted anywhere in the province by calling 1-800-803-RCMP (7267).

Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers toll free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submit a secure web tip at [www.crimestoppers.ns.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ns.ca), or use the P3 Tips App.



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