

Maarnada News Letter 2007

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Dear Friends of Maarnada:

It has been such an exciting and transformational time this year that we didn't have an opportunity to do our Patron's Summer Show. We have a new driveway, parking area and Painting Studio. New roof and decks also beautify our home and Gallery.

We have an abundance of amazing stone sculptures in green, gold, pink, black, white and shades in between. Maarten has been on fire in his creativity..... majestic eagles, dolphins, seals, whales, flowers, shells and even a large magical raven can be seen in the show. His wooden sculptures continue to flow and expand in their movement and grace. His carved paintings are beautiful.

The "Doorways to Spirit", now fourteen complete, are in the new painting studio. You will be able to see a magnificent blue grey Vancouver Island marble whale's tail that measures nine feet in height in the stone studio. Maarten is just finishing the commission for Upper Harbour Place. Another large commission is "Birth of a Dream" that will be unveiled at Swallows Landing in March 2007. For any of you wanting the most beautiful views of the Inner Harbour check out Swallows Landing, it is breathtaking!

It was great to see so many of you the last weekend in May at "Painters at Painters" in Campbell River and at the Moss Street Paint In on Dallas Road in July.

Heartfelt thanks to all of you who have phoned ahead and dropped by with guests during the past year. We encourage all of you to do the same. If the show dates do not work for you please call 477-1651 or email nadinas@shaw.ca and we will set up a private time for you to view the work.

We are humbled by the privilege of creating work that speaks of special occasions and acts as a touchstone and memory for our valued patrons. We are so grateful for those who fall in love with Maarten's art and chose it for themselves and as gifts for others. We also give thanks for those who trust Maarten's creation of commissions and those who share the art by bringing people to our shows. Your endorsement has made Maarten's art a success and allows us to continue doing the work we love.

Maarten and Nadine were honoured to be included in the Saanich Centennial Book "100 Years 100 Stories" and we look forward to sharing some old and new stories with you through Maarten's Art.

Best Wishes. Nadine A. and Maarten.