# Creative Spirit Among Us



# Frances Deverell Artists Statement

I think a lot about climate change, both the beauty of this earth and all that we are losing so quickly.

My art is, for me, a time of respite and meditation on beauty and the miracle of life. It's a time for me to recharge my batteries & remind myself why I do social action work.

My reflection series positions an observer, looking at a beautiful scene, in contemplation on a life theme.

I will donate 60% of proceeds to FUFON or the FUFON Shelter

# **Reflections on Waves**

By Frances Deverell

At Long Beach, near Tofino Oil on Canvas 36 in by 48 in \$1100

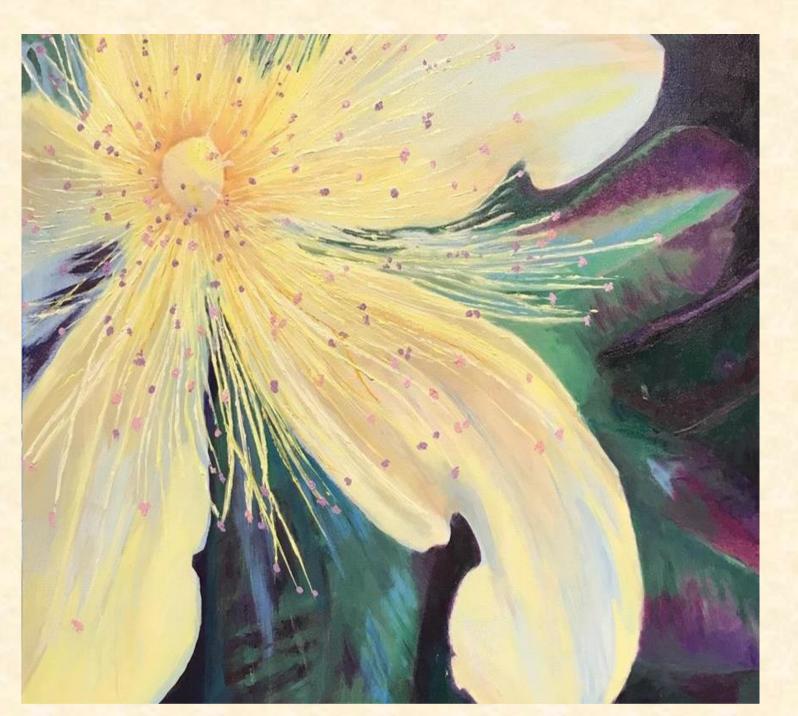
Shows how the rhythm and power of waves moves through our lives in many ways as it does through all life and the universe itself.



#### **Explosion** (St. John's Wort) by Frances Deverell

oil on canvas 24 in x 24 in \$500

Flowers are a symbol of the beauty, fragility, and wonder of life. How lucky we are to be here to appreciate the mysterious web of existence they represent.



# **Reflections on Kinship**

at Buttertubs Marsh oil on canvas 24 in x 36 in \$800

Features my adopted sister Sukhjinder Parhar. For both the kinship amongst peoples who are different than me and our collective kinship with nature.



#### Choices (Doubt) by Frances Deverell

oil on canvas 18 in x 24 in \$200

This image of a plethora of choices I had to pick from and no information or basis for making a choice came to me in a dream. How does it feel?



# Deborah Goodman Artist's Statement

As far back as I can remember, I've felt a deep connection to animals, and believed that their thoughts, feelings, and experiences in life are similar to ours, if not identical. All my choices and practices – dietary, spiritual, artistic–- flow from this source.

I have experimented with clay, pencil, ink, and paint, but find that paper has qualities that bring my animal subjects to life in a way that pleases me the most. Every art paper has its own grain and texture, heft or delicacy, chemistry and origin.

These characteristics give each paper its own personality, unlike any other paper. This reflects how I view each animal's personality, as particular and individual.

Additionally, each paper is some other artisan's creation. As I hold one in my hand and cut it with my scissors, I think of the local traditions, skills, culture, and organic materials that led to that paper coming into existence.

# Undersea Garden

Deborah Goodman Cut paper Collage 16 in by 20 in \$425

This picture was my first experiment with an underwater subject, trying to portray the movement of sea creatures..



## Who's Asking? (Lemurs) by Deborah Goodman

Cut paper and collage 11 in x 14 in \$475

Each lemur struck me as having a distinct attitude and personality, and collectively they were posing like a wavy totem.



#### Cats Dreaming by Deborah Goodman

Cut paper collage 7 in x 9 in \$325

This piece was created for Ingrid Newkirk of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PeTA), to accompany her book on cats.



#### In The Flow by Deborah Goodman

Paper Collage 12 in x 9 in NFS

I wanted to create a piece that showed the movement and energy of salmon in the river current, so I chose undulating lines and bright colors to convey those qualities. Punched paper circles represent air bubbles at the water's surface, and salmon eggs laid into the stream bed.



#### Cat and Chair by Beth McLin

Watercolour on paper 8 in x 10 in NFS

Home in Nanaimo missing Don.

Painting this made me and my apartment feel better.



#### Rainbow Chalice Rock by Beth McLin

Acrylic on Rock



# Hibiscus in Four Colours by Esmee Driscoll

Acrylic on Canvas 20 in x 16 in NFS



Nightwing Volcano by Esmee Driscoll

Acrylic on Canvas 16 in x 20 in NFS



## Fall by Sandy Blakey

Applique Quilt 54 in x 54 in NFS

A celebration of falling leaves.

