

Ronald George Straight

Ronald is a career graphic artist and lately returned painter and fine artist. Born in Winnipeg, Manitoba in 1944, he was placed in an orphanage and by age 6, he was placed with a foster family in Swan River, Manitoba. At age 12, he and his foster family moved to Regina, Saskatchewan where Ronald would attend public school and high school. It is there where he first gained an appreciation for art and for the broad applications and forms art can take. After high school, Ronald enrolled in the Balfour Technical School for the art courses they offered. Leaving Regina in 1969 to live in Vancouver. During his long tenure in Vancouver, Ronald worked as a window dresser, in print shops as a graphic artist, and at the Yellow Pages as a "spec artist".

Ronald dabbled in oils during that time and exhibited at the Vancouver gallery starting from 1975. However, with a new wife and baby girl to support, he went into graphic arts full time working out of my home. Much time passed without Ronald painting, but he always took photographs and kept ideas stored knowing that someday, he would pick up a brush again.

He has been back painting, exhibiting, and still experimenting with techniques. With a much firmer understanding of how he has transfigured the "stuff" off his life from memory to canvas. This introspection is on display in every facet of Ronald's personality and work. He has used that same introspection to portray sometimes-surrealistic scenes onto canvas. He has been an active member and supporter of the Federation of Canadian Artists as an AFCA.

Exhibitions:

Cavallo Winery (Artful Popup) Wine & Art show March 2019

2019 "Wild Life Friends" show at Place de Arts gallery, Coquitlam

Oil & Water" show, 1710 GALLERY, Tsawwassen, 2018

2018 West Fine Art show at the Cloverdale Rodeo

"Mane Event" show, Chilliwack, 2017

"Wild Exhibition" at the White Rock Community Center

Solo show Silk Purse Gallery in West Vancouver, 2016

Gallery 204 - 2016, Langley

Surrey Arts Council Summer Arts Exhibition. 2015

Summer Gallery Exhibition at Federation Gallery, Granville Island, 2015

Artists Choice Show at Federation Gallery, Granville Island, 2015

Members Show at Federation Gallery, Granville Island, 2014

4 paintings Glitz Entertainment "Lab Art Show" in November, 2014

2 works South Delta's "OIL & WATER" Show, 1710 GALLERY, Tsawwassen

5 works New Westminister Arts Council's "Satellite Gallery" Starlight Casino, New Westminister

Solo show, New Westminister Arts Council Gallery Queen's Park

Two person show, PLACE DES ARTS GALLERY (Coquitlam) 2014

Solo Show, PLASKETT GALLERY (Massey Theatre) 2013 New Westminister

2013 OIL & WATER Show (South Delta Artists Guild), Tsawwassen LONGHOUSE GALLERY