

For Art's Sake!



Artist in Residence

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Anyone who has been to Killarney knows how beautiful and breathtaking the scenery is: layered green forests punctuated by pink granite and white quartzite. It is the perfect inspiration for painting and yet for many of us, it is something we either do on our own quietly or don't do at all, unsure of where to start. Artist in residence Danielle Gardner is able to dispel these uncertainties (for some even anxiety) and during the first week of July a number of us were privileged to not only be inspired by the landscape, but receive the encouragement and direction that Danielle Gardner so freely and encouragingly gives. Indeed her enthusiasm for painting is infectious and encourages even the most hesitant artist.

The Friends of Killarney Park generously provides the funding for the great supplies that Danielle selects for these courses. It is always a surprise when the class is almost over, and everyone lays out their paintings in an outdoor gallery for all to admire. Each is wonderfully different and beautiful – art pieces that now adorn many Killarney visitors' homes. If you are ever in the park when Danielle holds her art workshops, come! You will be delighted by what you are able to create. As for me, I am going to spend the next year working on drawing trees in hopes that I can again be part of one of Danielle's classes.



Killarney Art Show

The 2012 Friends of Killarney Park Killarney Art Show was held in Killarney on July 28th and 29th. This year's event, featuring the works of 11 talented artists and photographers was held in the brand-new Killarney Shebanoning Community Centre. The new centre, with its modern amenities and spacious hall, was a great venue and attendance over the weekend exceeded 400. We look forward to seeing you at the 2013 Killarney Art Show.



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