

Client's Corner

Have you considered having a painting made of your own home, cottage, farm or a favourite scene? Read what some of Karen's delighted customers have to say about her artwork:

"Thank you so much for the beautiful watercolour painting of the waterfront at our cottage. It showed our favourite sitting area. You captured the view of the lake with our dock, small boat and raft perfectly. It brings lovely memories of 'Shady Lane'".

--Bill & Mary Abbott

"We first discovered Karen's work at the Buckhorn Wildlife Art Festival in August of 1999. We were especially attracted to the realism and attention to detail in her watercolours. As regular attendees at the Buckhorn festival, we returned to view her work and to make additional purchases. As we came to know Karen, we realized that not only does her art reflect her talent and knowledge but also the real joy and pride she takes in her work.

In 2000 we were beginning to plan the replacement of our old cottage on Lower Buckhorn and wanted to have a painting showing the cottage in its original state. Karen was the first artist we thought of approaching for this commission. She readily agreed and worked with us to bring to life a painting from an assortment of photos taken over the life of the cottage. Karen's friendly and professional manner made her a joy to work with. We were so pleased with the process and the final product that we plan to commission her to produce a painting of our new cottage when it is completed."

--Patti and Brian James

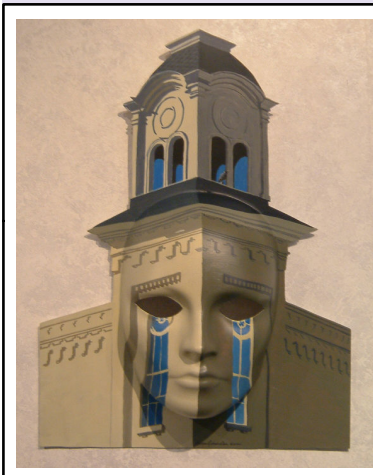
University Commissions Series of Paintings

Durham College and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) have commissioned Karen to create a series of large scale watercolour scenes of campus buildings and Windfields Farm. Pictured above is Dr. Gary Polonsky, President of UOIT, with Karen's recent painting of the new south wing of the University.

The watercolour collection will be displayed at UOIT, as a pictorial record of the major expansion taking place there and on historic Windfields Farm, which will become part of the campus in future years.



Mask Auctions for \$500 at Gala



Last fall, more than 20 artists created and donated original masks for the Mardi Gras Gala fund raiser for Town Hall 1873 renovations in Port Perry.

Karen's acrylic-painted mask 'Emerging Actress', shown at left, of a woman's face emerging from the Town Hall building, sold at auction for the highest price of all the masks. The buyer generously donated Karen's creation back to Town Hall 1873. Once renovations are complete, the mask will be displayed there permanently.

It's a Wonderful Life!

After 18 years of moonlighting as an artist, while continuing a busy full time job at Hubbell in Pickering, last July Karen began her new career as a full time fine artist. She works from her home studio in Port Perry and loves her new life! Last summer was filled with art shows and garden renovations, followed by a 5-week fall vacation with husband John to the west coast of Canada in their RV. Currently Karen is working on a series of paintings inspired by magnificent scenery of the north shore of Lake Superior and the foothills of B.C. Other recent works are based on the rocky islands of Georgian Bay and flowers in the artist's gardens. Next summer, Karen plans to search out more wonderful ideas for new paintings during an RV vacation in Nova Scotia.