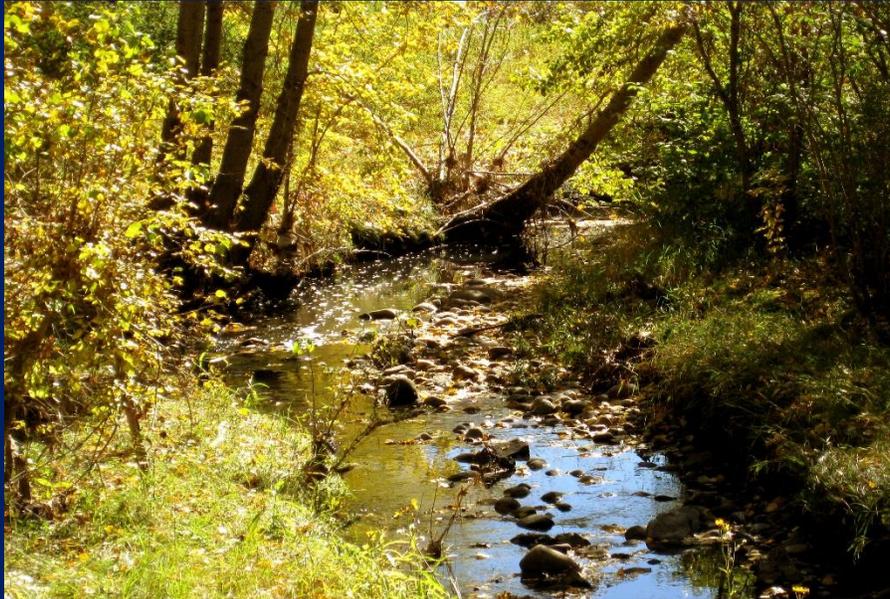


Karin Richter Fine Art

Newsletter

Late Fall 2021



Fall has been incredible in this part of the world but all good things have to come to an end and we are now at winter's door! Regular classes as well as classes/workshops for assorted societies have been going on now for several weeks already and we all enjoy the time to create together and re-connect. It is just what everyone needed to get motivated. Personally, teaching uplifts me, gives me ideas and makes me want to go to my studio and do my own art. Even though in-person instruction has resumed, online sessions have now become common. There are some advantages as this format allows for a closeup view of the demonstrations and allows for instant sharing of artwork. However, nothing beats being in a room together and feed off each other's energy!

I took a week off and travelled to Germany to celebrate my mother's 91st birthday. Due to Covid, I had not seen her in over 2 years which weighed on me. Thankfully, all is well and I came home inspired by her determination to enjoy every bit of life still to be lived!

Travelling is certainly doable but I still found it somewhat stressful with all the hoops one has to jump through. Just recently, the travel advisory has been lifted so that should give everyone some incentive. Hopefully, by next spring, travel will again be a pleasure. Plans for all my trips are underway with easy cancellation policies in place.

Fall brings with it the usual local art shows. Unfortunately, many had to be cancelled. If you have a chance, support your local artists with your presence and be inspired in the process!

I have ventured out recently to see what's offered at local farmers' markets and found it to be inspiring with all the colour of vegetables and fruits.



The recent good weather also prompted me to take a drive to the mountains and I found lots of colour left, lots of inspiration for future paintings:



Vermillion Lakes was glorious and Bow Falls refreshing as always:



What a beautiful part of the world we live in! The beauty surrounding us never ceases to amaze me!

I took some new work to the Leighton Centre in preparation for their **Christmas in the Country Art Sale** starting Nov. 6. I hope you plan on a visit during the festive season as there is always so much to see indoors and

outdoors! The gift shop is a great place to do some Christmas shopping and the gallery features art by all your favourite local artists. Road conditions have now improved and a little U-turn by the Red Deer Lake School House takes you back onto the old road to the Leighton, the one we all were used to.



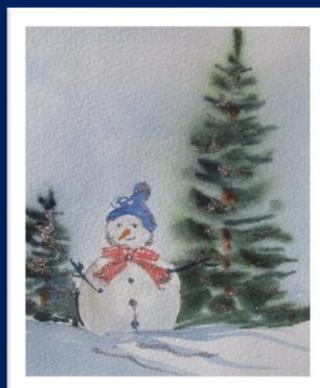
"Neighbourhood Walk, Pastel, 12"x16"



Vermillion Lakes View, Acrylic, 11"x14"

I am honoured to once again have an article in the Pastel Journal. The winter issue will feature my thoughts on the jurying process in the "5 minute Coach" section of the magazine. Watch for it.

Now that we are going to spend more time indoors, the muse will hopefully return. Starting small might be one way to get creativity going again, maybe some hand-painted Christmas cards or gift tags which are always appreciated:



Meanwhile, Halloween is upon us and I hope you have a spooky weekend!



Larch Valley View, Acrylic, 8"x8"

Wishing you all continued good health! Keep in touch! I'd love to hear from you!
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