

Henry Rousseau, The Centenary of Independence (1892)

Registered Psychiatric Nurses Foundation Inaugural Art Auction April 11-17, 2025



Welcome to the RPNF Inaugural Art Auction (2025)

The RPNF is excited to present its first Art Auction!

The event runs from Friday, April 11 at 5 PM CDT to Thursday, April 17 at 5 PM CDT.

Bid on seven unique art pieces donated by artists focusing on mental health and wellness. This catalogue is organized so that the artists' profile and information is presented first followed by information and images of their artwork—the reserve bid for the artwork is included as part of artwork description.

The RPNF provides scholarships, grants, and awards to RPNs and psychiatric nursing students who make a difference and inspire innovation in psychiatric nursing practice, creating a better future for mental health and wellness.

Proceeds from this auction will be used to further this mission, thereby improving the lives of individuals experiencing mental health and addictions difficulties.

The RPN foundation looks forward to this auction and appreciates your contribution to its success!

To Place a Bid

Go to our Facebook page located here: www.facebook.com/rpnfca

Place your bids in the comment section of each photo, making sure to exceed the reserved price or the highest bid visible. The highest bidder at the end of the auction purchases each piece. Check frequently to keep your bid on top. Buyers cover shipping costs, with possible delivery option within Manitoba.

Payment will be accepted by the following means:

- etransfer to: info@rpnf.ca
- PayPal: https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted button id=DWBYKVM3PK586
- Cheque made out to: RPNF, 1854 Portage Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R3G 0G9
- Canada Helps: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/18488

A heartfelt thank-you to our talented artists that donated to this cause! Enjoy supporting the mission of the RPNF whilst adding to your art collection.

ARTIST: Carleigh Grenier



I am an RPN, a mother, and partner in life. I have always been a creative, I was constantly daydreaming as a kid and spent a lot of my spare time drawing, experimenting, or exploring new interests.

Wheel throwing had always been on my bucket list, the smooth, hypnotic way in which the clay takes shape had always intrigued me.

In 2020, I suddenly found myself with ample amounts of free time (bet you can guess why) so I decided if not now, when? And that is when I decided I would buy my own wheel.

Instagram account can be found by scanning the QR Code below.



Carleigh Grenier Artwork: Vase



VASE- There are infinite options in each step to making a vase or mug and just as many ways to apply those steps, which can feel overwhelming. But the beautiful thing about pottery is that everything starts the same, as a chunk of mud. There is a 100% chance that you will fail and make mistakes on the way to reaching your goal, but mistakes are never wasted if you allow yourself to accept the learning you gained from your experience instead of giving up. Maybe that mug turned into a vase instead, and what a beautiful vase it turned out to be.

Height approx. 12 ins Width approx. 5 ins

Reserve Bid: \$25.00

Carleigh Grenier Artwork: Mugs



MUGS- set of 4, 8oz mugs. My choices of colours and speckled clay were inspired by a period in my life when I felt most connected to family. I want to bring back those safe and cozy retro vibes into the home of whoever enjoys this set.

Reserve Bid: \$40.00 / set

ARTIST: Daniel Dawson



Daniel Dawson has been working and creating stainless steel and other metal products for over 25 years. His designs incorporate functionality with aesthetics, making sure every piece does what it is supposed to, while also looking good. Daniel loves his work, stating "I get a thrill from creating designs like

this and flexing my creative muscles in ways that blend form & function to make users think, Wow, that's cool! You made that?!"

Daniel gives back to his community by volunteering as a Cub Scout Leader.

More examples of his work can be found at http://www.dbstainless.com/index.html

Daniel Dawson Artwork: RPNF Flat Pack Camp Fire Pit



Inspired by my volunteering with Scouts Canada and seeing the joy our youth get from simply being outside around a campfire sharing friendship, food, and building a sense of community. I see campfire as a mental health tool to help reconnect with nature and the people around you.

Material is 10-gauge Steel (3.4mm), weight 23.5Lbs (10.7kg). Size: Length: 17.874 ins / Width: 14.25 ins / Height 16.00 ins.

Reserve Bid: \$100.00

ARTIST: Erna Honeyman

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Erna Honeyman is a retired RPN, and Brandon, Manitoba artist, specializing in mixed (recycling) media. Multiple techniques are utilized to create unique one-of-a-kind sculpture for indoor or outdoor garden decor, using a liquid



textile hardener (aka Paverpol) which cures to a weatherproof finish. From thrift store finds, natural materials (cotton, silk, paper, wood) and treasures (doilies, jewelry) of sentimental value are brought to life being incorporated into a sculpture.

As an artist, I have earned accreditation from Paverpol International both as an instructor (2016) and a Masters (2018). Cultivating creativity provides a safe, nonverbal outlet for expressing emotions, difficult experiences, practising mindfulness gaining new perspectives and developing coping strategies. Practising arts help build capacity for managing one's mental and emotional well being. The 'Fairies' sculpture donated for this event is an example of a Paverpol sculpture.

Erna Honeyman Artwork: Fairies (Paverpol Sculpture)







Fairies symbolize magic transformation & mysteries of the natural world. Butterflies symbolize freedom, earthly beauty, love, human soul, personal growth, transformation, delicate balance between life and death.

Size is 18" (L) x 15" (W)

Reserve Bid: \$225.00

ARTIST: Weiming Zhao



https://www.facebook.com/weimingart/

For over two decades, Weiming Zhao has embraced a remarkable daily ritual: painting en plein air, regardless of weather. With easel, brushes, and a modest palette of oils in hand, he captures the fleeting beauty of the landscapes around him. Through his work, Weiming invites viewers to

rediscover the extraordinary in the ordinary—the quiet majesty of familiar scenes that bind communities together. His art is a celebration of shared spaces, evoking joy, connection, and an abiding appreciation for the natural world.

A native of Altay in Northwest China, Weiming relocated to Brandon, Manitoba, in the summer of 1991. Instantly captivated by the region's charm, he found lifelong inspiration in its vibrant seasons and serene vistas.

Weiming's paintings, prints, and calendars have garnered international acclaim, cherished for their ability to evoke warmth and nostalgia. His art transcends borders, resonating with collectors and admirers who find solace and delight in his interpretations of place and memory. In 2024, Brandon University honored his cultural contributions with an honorary Doctoral degree in literature, recognizing his role in enriching the city's artistic identity.

Weiming Zhao Artwork: A Brandon Heritage



A Brandon Heritage

The painting was painted on site at the former Brandon Mental Health Centre, and it is titled A Brandon Heritage depicting the former Nurses Residence on the grounds of the former Brandon Mental Health Centre. I donate this painting for it is so much part of the history directly related and connected to Manitoba psychiatric nursing. Its image will bring back so much memory of people whose life was connected directly or indirectly to this historical building.

Size: 18 ins by 24 ins on stretched canvas.

Reserve Bid: \$350.00

ARTIST UNKNOWN

(piece donated by Annette Osted)

ARTWORK: Sunrise



Sunrise seascape scene painted on canvas, framed in silver coloured frame.

SIZE: 40 1/2 ins by 30 ins

Reserve Bid: \$100.00

ARTIST: Amanda Onchulenko

https://www.mandart.ca

Amanda Onchulenko is a dual Australian and Canadian citizen, a Painter, a Fibre Artist an Author and Podcast Host.

"Communication is key," especially as a new

immigrant who is often misunderstood. Colour became the focus of my work, and my painterly voice gradually became clear. Colour really does quiet me. It helps my soul to sing, and it is definitely the language I choose to speak. I want my work to bring joy to the space it inhabits. I want you to feel better in its presence and I want it to be loved.

I have retained parts of my immigrant heritage, not only in my voice but also in the way I express myself creatively with colour. Amanda grew up in Australia where she developed interest in art history and architecture. She attended Australia's premier art school in Sydney, now part of the University of New South Wales, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Art Education, majoring in painting and printmaking. Amanda ultimately moved to Canada and has maintained a studio practice since 2001.

Amanda has donated a gift basket highlighting her art.

Amanda Onchulenko Artwork: Description of Gift Basket Items:

Meditation Series Painting: Luna

- Mixed Media Original
- SIZE: 5" x 7" (Fit any 8"x10" frame)

Mindful Moments Affirmation Deck

- A beautiful yet simple addition to your mindfulness practice-the Mindful Moments deck of 52 affirmation cards offers you a new way to be a collector of art and wisdom.
- Unwrap a celebration of colour to hold in the palm of your hand as you live in the details.
- Draw a card that speaks to you. Every card background is a detail from a larger painting, hand painted in acrylic paint by Amanda. Each card features channelled words that emerged through Amanda's own meditation practice. https://www.mandart.ca/blog/intention-cards

Mandart Boxed Greeting Card

- Express yourself with eight bespoke designs of details from Amanda Onchulenko's painting practice.
- Each set includes eight different greeting card designs. This set of art greeting cards are perfect for any special occasion.
 - Blank inside for your personalized message
 - Size: 5" x 7"
 - Printed in Canada on heavy card stock

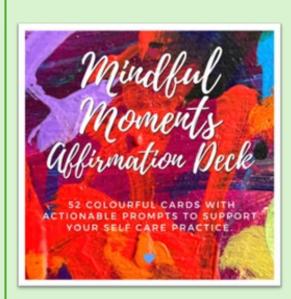
Book: Wisdom at the Crossroads

- In a world filled with constant distraction, endless to-do lists and our oftenunrealistic expectations, this colourful little book shares the artwork and insightful words of Amanda Onchulenko.
- ➤ Best envisioned as a picture book for adults or yoga for the mind, use the channelled guide of Wisdom at the Crossroads to be more of yourself and find inspiration in presence.

Amanda Onchulenko Artwork: Gift Basket Items

Meditation Series Painting: Luna Mindful Moments Affirmation Deck

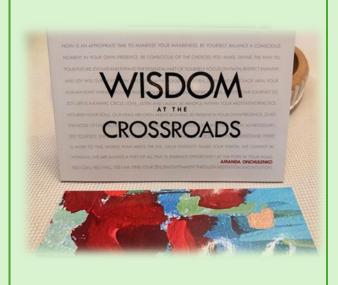




Mandart Greeting Cards







Reserve Bid: \$168.00

We would like to thank you for your support of the Registered Psychiatric Nurses' Foundation

Your participation in this Art Auction will assist the RPNF in supporting Registered Psychiatric Nurses and Students as they learn and practice to enhance the lives of individuals, families and groups experiencing mental health challenges.

Special thanks to the artists and donors that contributed their artwork to this Auction.

