



"Canadian landscape inspires Gordon Harrison's work and his life. Gordon Harrison is in a happy place following his heart, awakening his senses in a landscape playground. He has developed into one of Canada's foremost landscape painters. That ease of expression has been a long-time gift. Lost in a world of colour and possibility where paint swirls in celebration of Canadian landscape, that little boy who once was lost for words has much to express about the beautiful planet. Painting has given him a voice and art lovers everywhere are listening." —Joel Haslan, CTV

Born in Montréal in 1953, Gordon Harrison showed an interest in art at an early age. Enthralled by the natural world surrounding him, he followed his passion choosing to study Landscape Architecture at the University of Toronto. Although mainly self-taught, Gordon has taken courses at the Ottawa School of Art, and was highly influenced by one of Canada's foremost artists, Quebec's Jean-René Richard (1895–1982). He produces impressive collections of Canadian landscapes from his travels across Canada. He is also often commissioned by clients to put their most memorable views on canvas. Gordon paints both in his studios in Ottawa and in the Laurentians. Gordon's work is described as a "celebration of colour." His bold use of colour, his unique skies and picturesque destinations evoke an emotional response from the viewer as he creates a mood in each painting. His uninhibited use of colour, and his choice of the Canadian landscape as subject matter, invites comparison with the Group of Seven. However, he maintains his very own unique style.

"I refer to my art as 'Impressionism-Realism': my brush strokes are broad, loose and intense, yet my subject matter remains clear."

Gordon Harrison finds inspiration and colour in Canadian landscapes that he discovers through his travels across Canada; he shares his experiences in the expression of his art. He has a passion for the beauty Canada offers in its forested landscapes, rocky shorelines, sweeping valleys and enchanting communities. He uses these destinations as his inspiration, recreating them through his own vision.

"Having my work exhibited in my own gallery — as well as at the McMichael Canadian Art Gallery, in international art fairs, and in fine art galleries across Canada — is an honour. Knowing that my work is part of our Canadian culture and heritage, and is viewed and collected across the world, gives me a great feeling of accomplishment as a Canadian artist."

“ He’s been called the eighth member of the Group of Seven. Harrison has worked hard to avoid the cliché of the starving artist only to have his genius recognized posthumously. He has the potential to be one of Canada’s most important painters. ”

— Mark Anderson,
Ottawa Citizen, 2009



gordon harrison

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gordon harrison gallery

A boutique gallery featuring exclusive collections of original Canadian landscape oil paintings by Gordon Harrison. The gallery, known as "The Gallery of Canadian Landscapes", showcases the beauty of the regions of Canada personally visited and painted by Gordon Harrison. The website features all art available and sold.

private collections

Harrison's paintings hang in private collections in the United States, Germany, Portugal, England, Scotland, the Netherlands, Kenya, Tanzania, the Caribbean, Singapore, Chile, Australia and across Canada. His works have been purchased by the Government of Canada, embassies, art galleries, municipal governments, large corporations and many collectors.

art camp at the artist's studio in the laurentians

The artist offers a six-day painting coaching experience at his Laurentian residence in July and August. This retreat includes sketching and painting outdoors, accommodations, meals, entertainment and a vernissage of your work. A wonderful relaxing opportunity whether you have never painted or are a professional artist.

painting coaching at the artist's studio in ottawa and the laurentians

Whether you are looking for coaching as an artist, are a budding artist and wish to learn more, or desire to have the experience of creating a personal piece of art even if you have never painted, Gordon offers you a unique opportunity... **art retreat at the artist's studio in new edinburgh in ottawa or pine point lake house in the laurentians:** Join the artist on weekdays or weekends at his studio in New Edinburgh in Ottawa as well as Pine Point Lake House, the artist's studio in Ste-Marguerite-du-Lac-Masson in the Laurentians. Paint your favourite landscape scene or select a scene from one of the artist's current collections. The artist will paint the very same scene as you and will take you through each step of his creation process, from sketching to painting the scene, all in one session. **rate:** \$375 for a day. Includes all supplies and lunch. You leave with your art work.

gordon harrison canadian landscapes book

Journey with artist Gordon Harrison and experience his passionate style in his hardcover book *Gordon Harrison—The Colours of Canada*, featuring more than 350 Canadian landscape paintings from his travels across Canada. Price: \$100 a copy. Available at the National Gallery of Canada, the Gordon Harrison Gallery and other fine art establishments listed on the website.

Also available is the book *Spirit of Muskoka, Then and Now*, by photographer John McQuarrie, featuring Gordon Harrison's Muskoka collection. Price: \$45 a copy.

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visit the artist's studios in ottawa and the laurentians

The artist invites you to visit him at his studios in the New Edinburgh community in Ottawa and in Sainte-Marguerite-du-Lac-Masson in the Laurentians. Enjoy a chat with the artist and seeing him working on his latest collection of paintings.

gordon harrison art inspiration project

The Gordon Harrison Art Inspiration Project was created by Gordon Harrison and his partner, Gallerist Phil Émond, in 2009. Inspiring young people to pursue their artistic talent and to discover the beauty of our Canadian landscapes is part of the artist's legacy. Through this inspirational journey, students from visual art programs experience "life as an artist" working with Gordon Harrison and create an exhibition of Canadian landscapes.

tenth annual garden exhibit at the artist's studio

The Spring vernissage is a special happening in the community held on the first weekend in June each year. The City of Ottawa is proud to include the artist's studio and exhibit as part of the Doors Open Ontario program. The event is much enjoyed by art collectors, our clients and the public. The art finds a new home for a few days in the gardens surrounding the studio, as guests follow the artist's recent travels through his art and enjoy a glass of wine, appetizers, and live music from local talented musicians. **dates:** June 1 - 3 and 8 - 12, 2012

fifth annual summerland exhibit in the laurentians

Join the artist at his Laurentians studio and residence for an outdoor exhibit of his most recent collection of work from the Laurentians. This is a special happening at Lac-des-Îles as generations of cottagers celebrate Regatta Weekend on the lake. Come and experience Lac-des-Îles in a truly Canadian Laurentian setting. **dates 2012:** Jul 20 - Sept 3, 2012

thursday evenings with the artist

On the first Thursday of each month from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., join the artist in an informal setting over wine and cheese and hear about his artistic journey. Reservation required. Corporate groups are welcome. **dates 2011:** Nov 3 **2012:** Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 1, Apr 5, May 3, Sept 6, Oct 4 and Nov 1.

national gallery of canada

Gordon Harrison has been invited by the National Gallery of Canada to share his journey as an artist and to discuss his art and second Canadian landscape book on September 11, 2011.

shows and exhibitions

Gordon's work has been exhibited in solo exhibitions in art galleries across Canada, including the Michael Gibson Gallery, the Petroff Gallery, the National Capital Rideau Club, the Muskoka Heritage and Boat Centre, the Arcadia Gallery, the IPO Gallery, the Lane Galleries, the Christin Galleries, the Jack Pine Gallery, the Koyman Galleries, the Marbo Gallery of Fine Arts, Gallery Perth, Art in the Village, the Tangerine Gecko Gallery, as well as at his studios in New Edinburgh, the Laurentians and at the Gordon Harrison Gallery on Sussex Drive, in Ottawa.

Gordon's work has also been part of our Canadian culture via venues such as the National Gallery of Canada, the McMichael Canadian Art Gallery, the International Artexpo New York, the Toronto Art Expo, Festival International Expo Art, the Vieux Port de Montréal, the National Capital Fine Arts Festival, Doors Open Ontario, the National Arts Centre, One of a Kind Christmas Show, the City of Ottawa Mayor's Art Festival, the Merrickville Landscape and Wildlife Show, the Ottawa Art Association Fall Show, the Canadian Tulip Festival, Art on Ice, Winterlude, Colour the Canal Art Tour, the Canadian House and Home Magazine, and the Elmwood Art and Home Fair. His work has been displayed in restaurants such as Juniper's, Le-Saint-Ô, La Chaumière du Village, and Les Fougères, and at Le Petit Clocher and La Clef des Champs.

pine point lake house bed and breakfast in the laurentians artist residence with art gallery and coaching studio

The Laurentians is where the artist finds great inspiration in the landscapes that have surrounded him since early childhood.

Experience a different Bed and Breakfast — in luxury and comfort — in the private residence of the artist and his life partner Gallerist, Phil Emond. Pine Point is a new contemporary residence built on a point on Lac-des-Îles in the Laurentians. It is located a 25-minute drive away from Saint-Sauveur, 45 minutes from Mont-Tremblant. The property was designed for maximum exposure to the Laurentian forest and the clear, quiet water at its foot. Pine Point Lake House is an extension of a family property that was settled by Harrison's great-grandfather in 1902. The B&B offers two roomy suites with a spectacular view on Lac-des-Îles and its many islands.

rate: \$ 275 per night for two including breakfast by the fire or on the veranda. Appetizers and a cocktail are served in the afternoon. Lunch and dinner are optional. Coaching painting session available.

