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“Spirit” exhibit explores relationship between two- and three-dimensional art

SUDBURY, On – July 22, 2010 – Artists on Elgin is pleased to announce that its latest exhibit, Spirit, will be on display starting Tuesday, August 3. Spirit features the work of photographer Kathy Browning and woodworker and soapstone sculptor Gene Solomon. Solomon’s poignant sculptures are juxtaposed against Browning’s stirring photography, creating a multi-sensory experience for the viewers and allowing them to connect with nature in a very real way.

Of his work, Gene Solomon says that “by enhancing the natural beauty that surrounds us all, the finished product, whether it be wood, stone or canvas, reveals the spiritual force that lives within each piece for all to see, feel and enjoy.”

The work of both artists exemplifies the beauty of nature found in Northern Ontario, and the connection that we have to it. Browning’s digitally manipulated images encourage the audience to view nature as interconnected and unified, while Solomon’s sculptures present a personal and individual representation of the effects of nature on the person.

Kathy Browning learns about land and water and her relationship to them through the work that she creates. Growing up in Thunder Bay, her relationship to landscape has inspired her to create photographically for over 30 years.

“I grew up studying my grandfather’s rock specimens from mining projects,” says Browning. “I found that I needed to be able to study the rock cuts photographically in terms of composition, colour, light, shape and form.”

Spirit will be on display at Artists on Elgin from Tuesday, August 3 to Friday, August 27. Join the artists Kathy Browning and Gene Solomon on Saturday, August 7 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an opening reception. Artists on Elgin is located at 168 Elgin Street, and is open Monday to Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Artists on Elgin is a project of its parent organization, The Northern Artist Gallery, where artists can exhibit, promote and sell their work in an attractive and professional gallery space. Artists on Elgin aims to build mutually beneficial partnerships between the artists and the community by addressing the business and marketing needs of the local art industry. Artists on Elgin is the ideal place to find that perfect gift for any occasion. Visit us online at www.artistsonelgin.ca, or visit our Facebook Page.

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Kathy Browning & Gene Solomon



SPIRIT

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Opening August 7th, 1-4

August 3 - August 27
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About the Artists



Spirit Rock
Kathy Browning
Photography

Kathy Browning is an artist and an educator. She holds a Ph.D. and a B.Ed. from the University of Toronto, an M.F.A. from York University, and a B.F.A. Honours from the University of Manitoba. Browning has taught Visual Arts and Technology at the elementary, secondary and university levels, and currently teaches Visual Arts in the School of Education at Laurentian University.

Gene Solomon carved his first walking stick at his camp on Bonanza Lake using only a pocket knife, a wood rasp and sandpaper. A friend introduced him to the art of soapstone carving, a medium he enjoys very much. Gene considers his art a meaningful way of passing whatever time he has left on this earth.



Bear Trail
Gene Solomon
Soapstone Carving