



Welcome to my inaugural newsletter. As many of you know, I've been painting watercolours for a short time, 2 1/2 years. In that time I have learned so much. And still, there is so much to learn. This past summer, I began showing my paintings to the world. The Dwight Farmers Market, the Huntsville Art Crawl and the Muskoka North Studio Tour have been the main venues, as well as my website and postings to Instagram. And now, this newsletter.

I've been delighted with the response. My paintings now hang in the homes of folks in England, Virginia, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and, of course, Ontario. Thank you for your interest.

My plan is to email a brief monthly update, highlighting parts of my painting journey. I have a lot to share, and don't want to burden you with too much. I hope to "stay in touch".



I joined the Dwight Farmers Market every Wednesday in July and August and had a blast. I bought a canopy and constructed a pine wood backdrop on which to hang my paintings. I spoke with so many people. I hope to do the same next summer.

I had a modest goal, to sell one painting. I sold over twenty. I was painting every week to keep up, adding new works to my pine wall. Gratifying indeed, but the greatest thing was meeting many of you, telling my story, and hearing some of yours. Wonderful! Inspiring!

Sue Knowlton of Toronto received this painting, "Sunday stroll", the result of many of you filling out those little forms at the Market that gave me permission to send you this newsletter.

Again, hoping to have a handful of recipients, my email list has grown to over 150. I'm grateful.

Most of my paintings are of Muskoka, this scene depicting the common experience of walking down one of Muskoka's lanes at this time of year, breathing in the fresh air, listening to the falling leaves as they turn colour in the silence, reflecting on everything that is gift. Thanks for reading.



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