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## Youngster's creative outlet during covid shutdown helps others

Lindsay's Brysen Gilmour looks forward to donating the proceeds from the sale of his artwork to local charity

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Brysen Gilmour is really making the most out of the current provincial shutdown.

Not only is the nine-year-old using his spare time to satisfy his artistic muse - something that is also helping him mentally during the COVID-19 pandemic - but he's dedicating proceeds from the sales of his original paintings to local charity.

Brysen, who would normally be attending Alexandra Public School were it not for the fact the province has instituted a shutdown, stay-at-home order and has students learning from home to combat recent surges in positive covid cases, started painting in earnest around the end of March. The Grade 4 student, who has been selling his work from the porch of the family's Wellington Street home, particularly enjoys working in bold colours. A friend of the family has