

Artist's downsizing plan is opportunity for local art collectors

Band on the run! Well, perhaps it's more accurate to say that artist William Band is downsizing (rather than running). The result is a huge solo art show and sale, at Main Street Inn, from February 27, to the end of May.

Band is donating 10 per cent of the show's proceeds to the Li-

brary and Cultural Centre and the Georgetown Hospital.

"I have enjoyed spending a lot of time at both these facilities lately, especially the hospital," jokes Band.

Band who graduated with honours from OCAD (Ontario College of Art and Design) in 1966, has

enjoyed success as a commercial artist and painter, and has taught at Humber College for more than 22 years.

Bill, to his friends, and Betty Band will remain residents of Georgetown, but are downsizing from their longtime family home on Maple Avenue. This artist is

motivated to sell his substantial collection of art.

Despite his large stature, Bill will instantly put you at ease. His warm, friendly talkative manner easily draws you into conversation. Bill loves to talk about animals, Canada's North, Europe, houses, cars and people—all the things he loves to draw.

He often paints from a photograph. In a recent attempt to take a photograph of the northern sky, Bill found himself in icy cold lake waters, camera-less and freezing.

"I am 72, but I would do it again in a minute, but next time I would stay in the kayak," Bill laughs.

Band will be donating a print of the People's Choice winner to the Bennett Centre. So come and vote for your favourite piece, meet the artist, and fill out a ballot to win an art lesson and social



William Band with granddaughter Beth

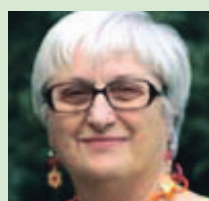
evening for six people.

Main Street Inn's restaurant is open for lunch, brunch and dinner, Wednesday to Sunday, and the B&B is open 24/7. Call 905-702-5411 or email mainstreetinn@cogeco.net.

Williams Mill to feature Gwen Tooth

Williams Mill Gallery will present Scapes and Faces, a solo art exhibition of recent abstract paintings and drawings by artist Gwen Tooth from Wednesday, Feb. 19 until Sunday, March 9. A reception and an opportunity to meet the artist will be held on Sunday, March 2, 2 to 4 p.m.

Tooth has earned a Fine Arts Certificate from Humber College and a Bachelor of Fine Arts from OCAD U. She paints what she



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feels, in her own style, which is a blend of expressionism and Fauvism.

Tooth will instruct a Williams Mill

Visual Arts Centre workshop in acrylic abstraction in which she will provide insights about influential artists of the 20th and 21st

centuries who have blurred the boundaries between realism and abstraction. She will then invite participants to follow the path to abstraction using various approaches to landscape—to zoom in and paint expressively and geometrically.

The workshop will take place Saturday, March 1, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Register at www.williams-mill.com, or in person at the Williams Mill Gallery.

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