

# Latcham Gallery was terrific venue for show: Artist

Dear Editor,

I came to Stouffville for the first time several years ago because I had entered and been accepted in the juried show at the Latcham Gallery. Since then both my husband, who is also an artist, and I have participated in many of the shows.

It was a great honor

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to have my solo show "Trees" at the gallery this summer. Thank you Stouffville and gallery staff for the warm and professional attention you gave the exhibition.

It's rare to find a gallery like this in any Ontario town outside Toronto. It's a magnet. I've met many of the artists and volunteers and people from the area. I'm sure it contributes to the economy. Each time we enter a show we deliver the work, pick up the rejects, attend the opening, pick up the work after the show and in between we come up to see the show with friends. On practically every visit we eat lunch or dinner here, occasionally buy gas and have bought groceries at the IGA.

Maybe somebody could add up the sums spent here by art lovers. It's more important to know that an art lover can be a child, a man in a wheelchair, a teenager. No membership necessary. It was great to be in the gallery while my show was on and see a group of twelve year olds wander in to see what was happening. For them the "Trees" exhibit was an interesting surprise.

For my acquaintances who came to see the show, the surprise was

## Questions arise: Reader

Dear Editor,

In response to your recent "Days of Action" Opinion column, may I ask several questions?

Do you really believe that the thousands who took part in these days did so easily and with absolutely no concern for those affected?

Do you really believe that on Saturday, the tens of thousands (many of them teachers) who marched the appreciable distance from the Exhibition grounds to Queen's Park, are not seriously concerned about the effect of indiscriminate cuts to our social assistance, health care and education systems?

Do you really believe that the incidents of vandalism, shoving etc. that you describe in your column were really representative of what was happening on Friday and Saturday Oct. 25 and 26?

Do you really believe these protesters should have meekly abandoned their principles and picket lines because of questionable legal decisions rather than risk the consequences of challenging them?

Further, do you also believe that NAFTA has no serious effect on wages in this province? And perhaps you also believe that it is okay for the top 20 per cent of our income earners to siphon off more of our total income each year largely at the expense of the lowest 20 per cent of our income earners.

Lastly, does Conrad Black own *The Tribune*?

Bruce Johnston, Stouffville

Stouffville. Here's a quote from a card sent to me by Helen Devisser:

"I was in Toronto last week and returned via Stouffville. It was such a pleasure to see your

show. That is a lovely gallery and a beautiful old town. I had "tea" at the tea shop on the

edge of Main Street."

Nikolette Jakovac  
Toronto

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