



Nova Scotia Folk Art Festival

Drawing courtesy of Bill Pickett

Spring 2008

HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR JOURNEY?



FOR THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS?

**Circle your calendar for August 3rd 2008
Join the Folk Art Festival Artists and Volunteers
for the “best four hours of fun on the South Shore this summer”!**

Planning for the 20th Anniversary Celebrations

There will be a very special exhibit of earlier pieces of Nova Scotia folk art done by artists who are no longer able to participate in the Festival. Folk art collectors have been generous in providing pieces for this exhibit. During the afternoon, there will be a “speakers corner” where a variety of people will be invited to talk about their memories of early Folk Art Festivals, including some of the artists who were there. We look forward to formally recognizing and honoring those artists who were at the earliest Festivals. The video “Folk Art Found Me” will also be shown. The special exhibit theme for this year is “20 years of folk art in Nova Scotia”...of course!

Upgrades and Changes

Check out the changes to our new website:
www.nsfolkartfestival.com



We think it captures the energy and spirit of this remarkable event. Please let us know your thoughts and opinions by signing in on the “keep in touch” addition to the webpage. Or add the e-mail address of a friend or relative that you believe would want to hear from us.

We are delighted with a 2-minute promotional video that was developed this year. Check it out at <http://directory.southshorenova.ca/folkartfestival.html>

The featured artist on the video is Bradford Naugler. He is also the featured artist on the Folk Art Festival 2008 poster. Keeping with tradition, Bradford’s painting, “**Then and Now**”, will be auctioned off during the festival. You can view this delightful piece on our webpage at www.nsfolkartfestival.com

Folk Artists in our Thoughts and Prayers

Since the beginning of 2008 we have lost three artists who have been major contributors to the Nova Scotia Folk Art Festival over the years:

Garnet McPhail, Wolfville
Kenneth Charlton, Annapolis Royal, and
Harold Cromwell, Weymouth Falls, Digby Co.

Sincere sympathy is extended to all of the families; these artists will be missed at the Festival this year.

We know that our Nova Scotia Folk Artists have had a good winter for creating, carving and painting! New and old artists are counting down the days until the BIG event – August 3rd, 2008 at the Lunenburg War Memorial Arena in Lunenburg Nova Scotia. Doors open at 12 noon, tickets go on sale at 11:00am (but it is advised to join the line-up early).

We are looking forward to celebrating the Nova Scotia Folk Art Festival’s 20th anniversary with all of you...collectors, the curious and the devoted.