

S. J. McKee Archives



The History of Painting in Canada

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks667

Artist: MacDonald, J. W. G.

Date: 1946
Form: painting

Biographical Info: James (Jock) W. G. MacDonald was born in Thurso, Scotland in 1867.

He studied at Edinburgh College of Art, and later worked as a fabric designer. He taught at Lincoln School of Art; Vancouver School of Art; School of Decorative and Applied Arts, Vancouver; Provincial Institute of Technology and Art, Calgary; and at Ontario College of Art after 1947. MacDonald was a member of Canadian Group of Painters and Painters

Eleven. He died in Toronto in 1960. The artist was conducting independent experiments in Vancouver while the others worked in Winnipeg and Toronto. He had painted 'automatics' by 1934 and completely abstract or non-objective works by 1935 or 1936. (Painting in Canada: A History. Harper J. Russel. U of Toronto Press, 1977. P 327) Jock MacDonald was one of Canada's first painters to explore the relationship between abstraction and landscape. What MacDonald did is take the formal qualities of his subjects and isolate or abstract them form the landscape. (The History of Painting in Canada. Barry Lord. Toronto:

NC Press, 1974. P 205-7)

Dimensions: 23.5 X 33.5 cm
Size Overall: 45 X 52.5 cm
Medium: watercolor

Condition: Slight cockling of surface.

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame - wood and plaster with gild

Accession Number: 0059



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks1092

Artist: Tanabe, Takao

Date: 1957
Form: painting

Biographical Info: Takao Tanabe was born in 1926 in Prince Rupert, B.C. He studied at

Winnipeg School of Art, Brooklyn Museum of Art, and Tokyo University of Fine Arts. Taught at Vancouver School of Art from 1961 to 1968, and Banff School of Fine Arts in 1973. Takao Tanabe was one of the

promoters of 'abstract landscape' painting in Canada, together with Jack Shadbolt, Gordon Smith, and Toni Onley. (A Concise History of Canadian Painting. Dennis Reid. Toronto: Oxford University Press, 1973. P. 207,

428)

Dimensions: 46 X 46 cm Size Overall: 52.5 X 52.5 cm

Medium: oil

Condition: Blue pencil inscription in BL corner.

Primary Support: canvas

Secondary Support: frame - wood

Accession Number: 0193



Untitled

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks508

Artist: Ewens, Jessie

Date: 1966 Form: painting

Dimensions: 35.5 X 27.5 cm Size Overall: 52.5 X 42.5 cm

Medium: oil
Condition: good

Primary Support: canvas board

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame - wood

Accession Number: 0195



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks507

Artist: Ewens, Jessica

 Date:
 1967

 Form:
 painting

 Dimensions:
 50 X 40 cm

 Size Overall:
 59 X 48.5 cm

Medium: oil

Condition: White paint stain on glass in the center area. Frame has a couple of small

abrasion marks in BL corner.

Primary Support: canvas board

Secondary Support: glass; frame - wood

Accession Number: Pnt/075



Untitled

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks593

Artist: James, Cecil E.

Date: 1970

Form: painting

Dimensions: 34.5 X 47.5 cm
Size Overall: 56.5 X 68 cm
Medium: watercolor

Condition: Residue of tape in area CB of glass. Frame has small abrasion marks on

top arm.

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame-wood

Inscriptions: Note attached to back: Cecil E. James came to Canada in 1914 from

Manchester, England. He started studies in art at the University of Saskatchewan in 1928, and is now operating an art gallery in Saskatoon. He has painted Canadian scenes from Newfoundland to Vancouver Island, but most of his work is of the Canadian Prairies. One could safely say that his paintings are in private collections in almost every country of the world. To name a few principals possessing a James painting: The Archbishop of Canterbury; His Excellency, Governor-General Roland Michener; John Diefenbaker, former Prime Minister of Canada; The Canadian Embassy in Berlin; Mr. H.W. Sturdy, British Government representative; Saskatchewan Wheat Pool; Saskatchewan House, London; Dairy Pool; Colonel Sanders of Kentucky; Pioneer Grain Co.;

The Hon. Jean Lesage; Saskatchewan Power Corporation;

Saskatchewan Arts Board.

Accession Number: Pnt/CEJ/011



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks913

Artist: Panton, Paul

Date: 1970 Form: painting

Biographical Info: Paul Panton was a BU student and employee.

Dimensions: 35.5 X 50.5 cm

Size Overall: unknown

Medium: watercolor

Condition: unknown

Primary Support: unknown

Secondary Support: unknown

Accession Number: L-7



Untitled (Eagles)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks892

Artist: Monias, Stanley

Date: 1977
Form: painting

Dimensions: 49.5 x 80.5 cm Size Overall: 51.5 X 82 cm

Medium: acrylic
Condition: good
Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: plexiglass, backing board; frame - metal

Accession Number: 0075



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks605

Artist: Kay, Breeden Williams

Date: 1980

Form: painting

Dimensions: 54 X 42 cm

Size Overall: 71 X 56.5 cm

Medium: watercolor

Condition: Several brown accretion dots in various places. Clear plastic tape

completely covering plexiglass surface. The hanging wire is broken.

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame - wood

Accession Number: Pnt/005



Untitled (water pounding rocks)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks1084

Artist: Smith, Frederick M. Bell

Collection: Viola Lobodowsky

Date: 1982

Form: painting

Dimensions: 32.5 X 50 cm

Size Overall: 53.5 X 71.5 cm

Medium: watercolor

Condition: Paper is ripped in TR corner. There is clear tape completely covering the

plexiglass surface. Backing paper ripped.

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame - wood

Accession Number: Pnt/004



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks624

Knott Artist: Date: 1984 Form: painting Dimensions: 44 X 59 cm 51 X 66 cm Size Overall: Medium: acrylic Condition: good Primary Support: paper Secondary Support: none Accession Number: Pnt/K/098



Untitled

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks625

Artist: Knott Date: 1984 Form: painting 51 X 66 cm Dimensions: Size Overall: same as image Medium:

acrylic

Condition: Several splashes of brown paint across bottom half most probably

inherent to image. TL corner of paper is creased. Top edge has some

surface paper peeled off.

Primary Support: paper Secondary Support: none Accession Number: Pnt/K/099



Untitled (Buffalo skull)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks626

Artist: Knott

Date: 1984

Form: painting

Dimensions: 76 X 56.5 cm

Size Overall: same as image

Medium: acrylic

Condition: good

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: none

Accession Number: Pnt/K/101



Untitled (Eagle)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks671

Artist: Mancuso, Robert

Date: 1984

Form: painting

Dimensions: 100 X 70 cm

Size Overall: 108 X 76 cm

Medium: acrylic

Condition: good

Condition: good
Primary Support: canvas

Secondary Support: no backing board; frame - wood

Inscriptions: Inscription on back: Robert Mancuso, a member of the Sioux Valley band,

residing in Brandon, MB, has been developing his art since childhood. It is only recently, however, that he's been working in the native style, reflecting the spirituality that comes from the native view of things. He has undertaken native art classes at Brandon University that he says has greatly influenced his direction. He says it is like stepping through a new door into a world full of wonders waiting to be explored through his art. Contemporary native art is exciting and challenging to work in. He says 'it always has a horizon'. This picture, depicted in ink, represents the four elements showing the sun as fire, buffalo as earth, eagle as wind, and the lines as water. He has tried to convey the feeling of the spiritual force as it

moves, with boldness across the vastness of the plains.

Accession Number: 0071



Untitled (Clark Hall)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks1054

Artist: Romeril, David

Date: 1984

Form: painting

Dimensions: 53.5 X 73 cm

Size Overall: 75 X 84 cm

Medium: watercolor

Condition: good

Secondary Support: mat, plexiglass, backing board; frame - wood

paper

Accession Number: Pnt/066



Untitled

Primary Support:

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks506

Artist: Edwards, Kim

 Date:
 1985

 Form:
 painting

 Dimensions:
 55 X 75 cm

 Size Overall:
 62 X 82 cm

Medium: acrylic or gouache

Condition: Mild accretion over image. Slight cockling of surface.

Primary Support: paper

Secondary Support: glass, backing board; frame - wood

Accession Number: 0018



Untitled (Plains pictographic chief)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks530

Artist: Gounchene, Franklin

Date: 1985 Form: painting

Dimensions: 120.5 X 79.5 cm Size Overall: 131 X 90 cm

Medium: acrylic

Condition: Some paint abrasion in lower part of image, due to handling.

Primary Support: masonite
Secondary Support: frame - wood

Accession Number: 0040



Untitled (Man and buffalo)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks545

Artist: Harper, A.

Date: 1985

Form: painting

Dimensions: 57 X 77 cm

Size Overall: same as image

Medium: acrylic

Condition: Yellow marks in TL corner, as well as along the left vertical and bottom

edges.

Primary Support: paper Secondary Support: none

Accession Number: Pnt/AH/100



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks653

Artist: Ledoux, S.

Date: 1985

Form: painting

Dimensions: 56 X 76 cm

Size Overall: same as image

Medium: acrylic

Condition: White paint stain/transfer in BR corner. Yellow residue border around the

complete perimeter of the paper (probably due to poor framing).

Primary Support: paper
Secondary Support: none
Accession Number: Pnt/SL/102



Untitled (Fish)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks677

Artist: McKay, Peter

Date: 1985

Form: painting

Dimensions: 54 X 74 cm

Size Overall: same as image

Medium: watercolor

Condition: Minor cockling of paper on left side and top of image. Small rip in paper

in area TM.

Primary Support: paper Secondary Support: none

Accession Number: Pnt/PM/703



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks681

Artist: Mentuck, Verna

Date: 1985

Form: painting

Dimensions: 57 X 77 cm

Size Overall: same as image

Medium: acrylic

Condition: Yellow residue boarder around complete perimeter of the paper

(probably due to poor framing).

Primary Support: paper Secondary Support: none

Accession Number: Pnt/VM/103