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“Celebration”

a solo exhibition by Marney-Rose Edge

Opening reception Sunday Nov. 4th 2012, 1- 5pm
Arts Council Gallery, Queen's Park, New Westminster.

New Westminster artist Marney-Rose Edge is pleased to host her solo exhibition presented by the Arts Council of New Westminster. The show Celebration explores life's celebrations using the most romantic and iconic flower the rose as her symbol. When the proposal for this show was put together it was not long after her father had passed away and a celebration of life was on her mind. Then her niece announced she was pregnant and a celebration of new life and a personal journey started for Marney-Rose.

Marney-Rose drew inspiration from New Westminster's Rose garden and the roses in her own garden. During the process of creating the artwork the concept evolved to include celebrating survival of Breast Cancer, as a dear friend recently went through surgery twice plus Marney-Rose's sister, and several friends have done just that, survived.

The rose was chosen as the symbol for this exploration as it has everything, complexity - just like the complex dynamics of families, beauty, fragility, sensitivity and is the iconic symbol of love which features in so many of life's celebrations. The rose shows all stages of life from new born buds to the robustness of youth and the fragility of age before fading away completely all within a spray. Sometimes even coming back as a rose hip in another season.

Marney-Rose is an internationally award winning artist, a signature member of the Federation of Canadian Artists, a member of the North West Watercolour Society, The Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour and the International Guild of Realism. Please join her at the opening reception. The show continues until Saturday November 24th and she will be in attendance at the gallery every weekend in November and you are encouraged to stop by and discuss the paintings with her or watch her paint.

Marney-Rose Edge Website: www.marneyroseedge.com