# Dynamic equilibrium Grace Keddy's art

#### by Peter Ross

On October 7, the other ART gallery opened a show of watercolour paintings by Grace Keddy. At 82 years old, Grace is a candid and confident Maritime vituoso. Painting from memory of natural scenes, Keddy's images reveal that memories are sometimes more vivid than reality. Her works are less archetypal than Emily Carr and The Group of Seven, but there are many similarities.

In Keddy's nature, nothing stays still. Her skies and woodlands and flowers are always in action. Dynamic equilibrium. The continuity of endless change. Her one painting of a person shows a woman swinging wildly by her arms from a crossbeam. Motion for motion's sake. Like herself, Keddy's transparent watercolours are both frail and shimmering with life.

Take for instance her painting "Tranquility." Keddy says "Tranquility" is close to, but not visible from, the busy paradise of Peggy's Cove. The painting portrays a green oval valley hemmed in by a mountain enclosure. It looks like the valley that Shane rode his horse into. Deceptively quiet at a distance; restlessly seething close up. The tranquil valley is like a corral. If Keddy were to paint the oceans she would probably make them look cramped by the continents. "Tranquility" seems to say something about rivalry and coexistence. Even in Keddy's paradise, nothing is at rest.

This is a good metaphor for other ART. Itself more than a quiet gallery, other ART is an amusing and eclectic collection of clothing and gifts. This is where you will find a gift for the

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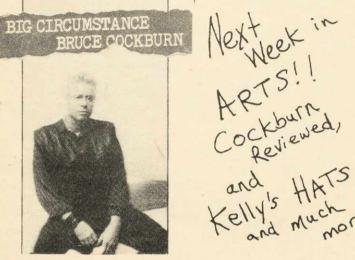
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person who has everything. Crazy crazy things that will kindle ideas and challenge your perceptions.

I was entranced by their rack of Pure Aromas. It reminded me of my first box of crayons. Even with a colour perception deficiency, I could memorize the eight basics: yellow, orange, red, blue, purple, green, brown, black. So it is with the tray of Pure Aromas. Each basic element of nature is broken down to its pure smell. Each has potential relation to all the others. It is a brilliant toy! A chemistry set for all ages.

At the other ART gallery there is not much social distance between the art lover and the artist. I think that is why I like it so much. Gottingen Street just defies pretension. Is other ART the unselfconscious image of Gottingen Street? That would tie things together rather nicely. The approachable owner-managers are Brenda Keddy and Kris Rogers. You will find the other ART gallery at 2094 Gottingen Street.





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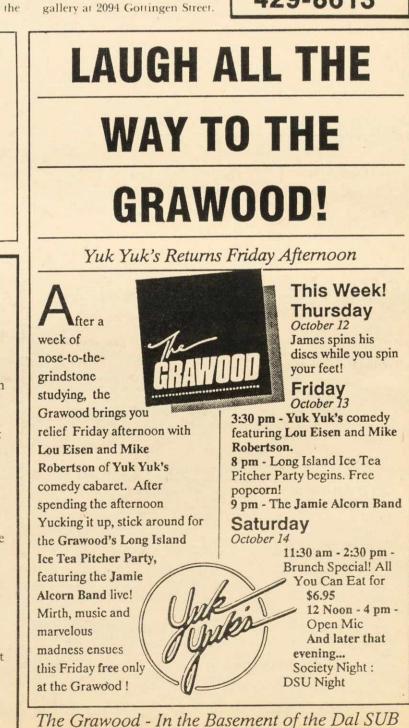
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