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“ARTIST in the HALLWAY” **(Artist in Residence Program)**

David W. Jones could be your ‘Artist in Residence... Artist in the Hallway’ for a week, during which he will create a landscape painting from start to finish. David will set up his canvas and easel in the most conspicuous location in your school. This provides planned and casual opportunities to observe and interact with him throughout the various stages of bringing a painting to life. Students will learn about the process of painting, and the inspiration and discipline that are fundamental to creating Art.

“David W. Jones is one of Canada’s foremost landscape painters” (Ottawa Citizen, 2007). “The beauty, splendor and unique vastness of our landscape, coast to coast, are captured in his canvases.” (National Arts Centre, 1999)

This is how it works:

Jones arrives on Monday morning and sets up his easel in a high-traffic area such as in front of the Main Office or Entrance lobby. Students and staff will witness the transformation of a blank canvas into a completed oil painting during school hours. David is accessible for the whole time and classes are welcome to visit as frequently as you like to watch, ask questions and enjoy short lessons - in front of the easel. Favorite topics include composition, colour, establishing a mood or atmosphere. At the end of the week, David will retain his completed artwork.

Individual classes may participate in their own classroom:

Jones will supply his photographic reference material and ‘thumbnail sketch’ electronically to the school. Each teacher, therefore, has the option of allowing their class to produce their own interpretations of the same subject matter as Jones.

David’s philosophy on Arts education

Arts matter as children who are exposed to the Arts enjoy school more, and develop a keen appreciation for many different aspects of the world around them. David is committed to the goal of enhancing the place of the Arts in schools and building community support for, and awareness of, the value of Arts in education.

About David...

David W. Jones, who is also the parent of two elementary school-aged children, is an accomplished professional artist represented in private and public galleries across Canada. He is also a member of the NAC-sponsored Parents for the Arts Network.

Jones has been an OCDSB Continuing Education instructor since 1981 and has his police check on file.

(Usual honorarium for 5-day Program is \$500)