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Saint John artists join virtual art show

SAINT JOHN • Three Saint John artists are participating in an exhibition that plans to bring art to Canadians in isolation.

Isolation 2020 is an online art experience scheduled to run from Wednesday to May 22. The internet-based experience will allow visitors to meet with artists, chat with them, and even buy their new work.

"The underlying principle of all the art events that I've produced is that art should be accessible, that engaging with visual art and the people who create it should be a comfortable and positive experience – not stuffy, not intimidating," said Cindy Scott, the creator of Isolation 2020, in a press release.

Isolation 2020 features work from 11 artists in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Ontario. Colin Hugh Smith, Karen O'Brien, and Shelia Howell all represent Saint John, while Judith Baxter and Liane Thibodeau will represent Kingston and Summersville, respectively.

Each artist was asked to present three works made during self-isolation.

Artists will be able to discuss their projects with visitors and give them virtual tours of their studios.

All the artists have agreed to donate 25 per cent of sales to a food bank in their community.

Some proceeds will go toward the Saint John Community Food Basket and Romero House.

The opening reception for the online art show will begin on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Visit isolation-2020.com to join.

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