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Art Posters Now Available from the Islands Trust

VICTORIA — Art posters with conservation message for visitors to the Islands Trust Area are now available free of charge to businesses and locations frequented by visitors.

Work by three artists was selected earlier this year in an art competition sponsored by the Islands Trust. Dawn Stofer of Denman Island, Debbie Bowles of Mayne Island and Darlene Olesko of Lasqueti Island had their work selected for the posters by a judging panel. Thirty works of art were submitted by 20 artists from seven islands in the Islands Trust Area.

“The posters will encourage sustainable tourism by reinforcing values that are critical to the long-term conservation of the region,” said Sheila Malcolmson, Chair of the Islands Trust Council and of the judging panel. “The project also provides a terrific opportunity to promote the rich artistic culture of the region by showcasing island artwork in the poster design.”

“Trustees have heard from constituents that there is a need to provide information to visitors about the unique nature of this area, particularly water and habitat conservation,” Malcolmson added. “Stakeholders were also consulted to obtain their input on the poster concept and the messages and we were delighted with the strong support for the project.”

“While we hope businesses will display the posters we also encourage residents to obtain a free copy,” Malcolmson said. “Many of us have guests visiting from time to time, particularly during our lovely summers.”

Three unique posters are available in two sizes: 8.5 X 11” and 11 X 17”. The Islands Trust received a grant from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities to undertake this project.

The Islands Trust is a federation of independent local governments that represents some 25,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area. The Islands Trust is responsible for preserving and protecting the unique environment of the Islands Trust Area through planning and regulating land use, development management, education, cooperation with other agencies, and land conservation. The area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5200 square kilometres. It is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year.

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Editors Please Note: Please see the following list indicating where the posters are available on each island. Samples of the posters are also attached.

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Islands Trust Visitor Information Posters Distribution Locations

Bowen Island	Bowen Island Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Centre located at 432 Cardena Road Bowen Island Municipal Municipality
Denman Island	Denman Island General Store located at 1069 Northwest Road
Gabriola Island	Islands Trust Office Gabriola Island located at 700 North Road
Galiano Island	Galiano Island Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Kiosk located on Sturdies Bay Road
Hornby Island	Coast Realty Hornby
Lasqueti Island	Post Office
Mayne Island	Mayne Island Fire Rescue Services located at 520 Felix Jack Road
North and South Pender Island	Islands Trust Office located at the Driftwood Centre
Salt Spring Island	Islands Trust Office, Salt Spring Island located at #1 – 500 Lower Ganges Road Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce located at 121 Lower Ganges Road
Saturna Island	Saturna General Store located at 101 Narvaez Bay Road
Thetis Island	Thetis Island Library located at Forbes Hall

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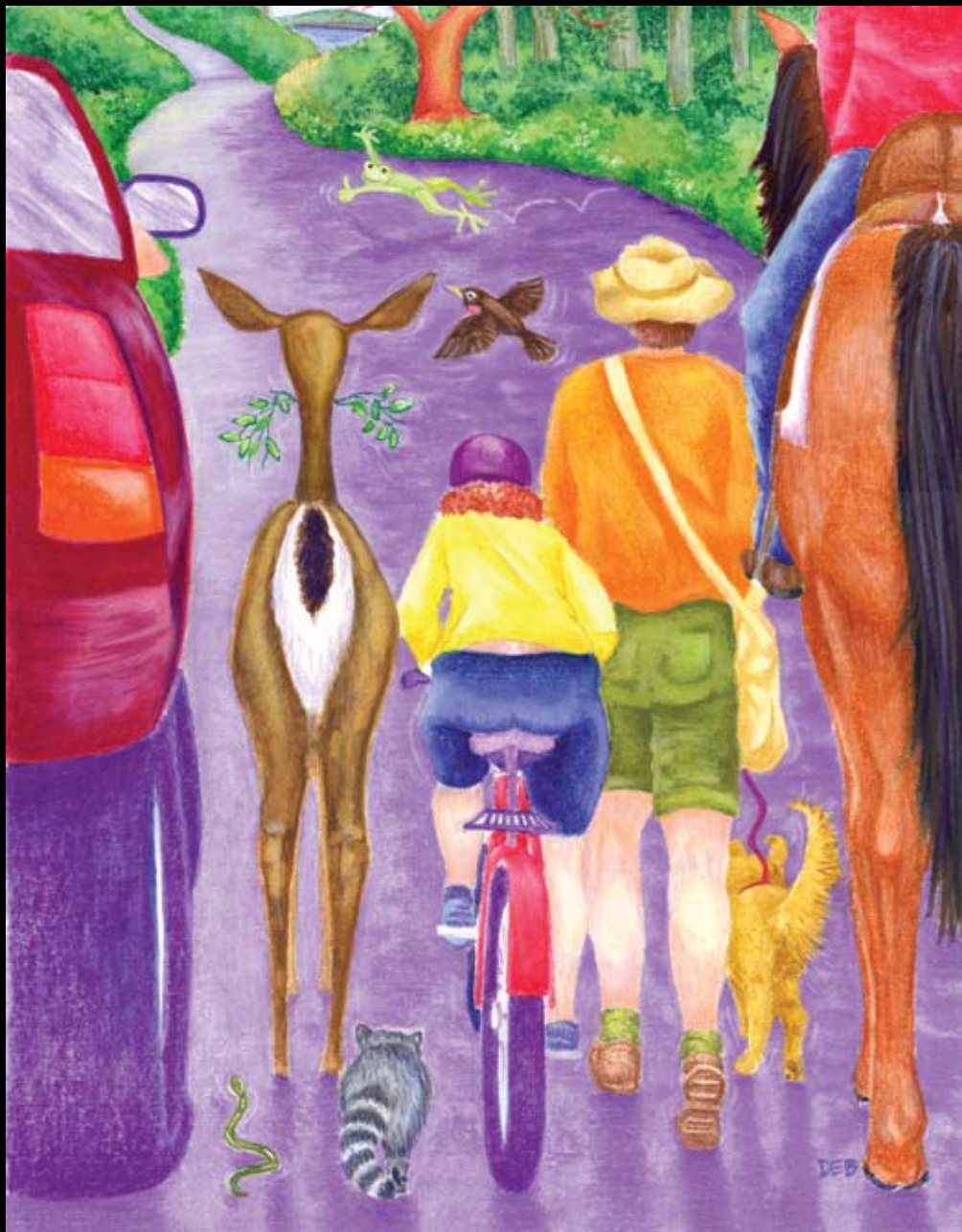
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One for all, all for one ... by Debbie Bowles, Mayne Island

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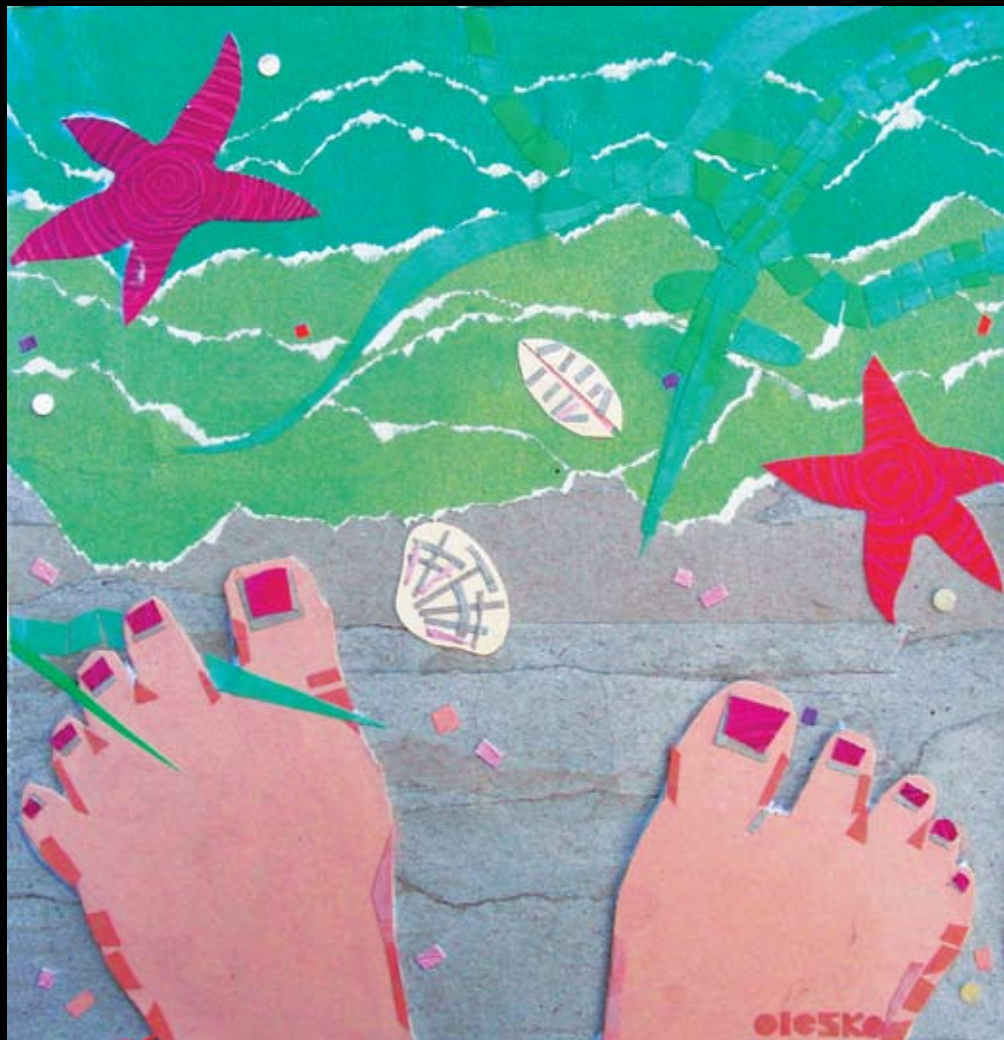
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Starfoot by Darlene Olesko, Lasqueti Island



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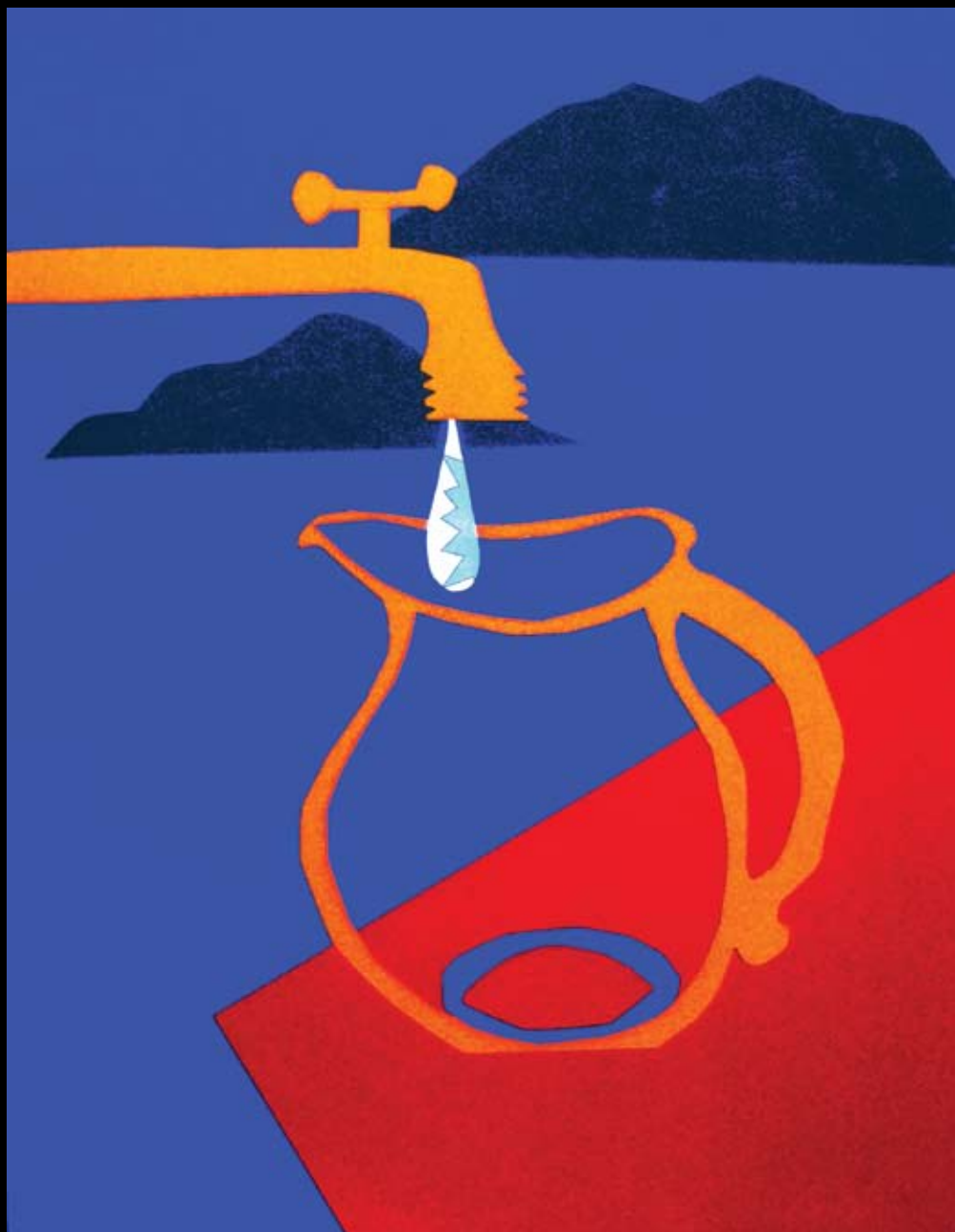
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