

John David Epp

John David Epp was born in Southhampton, England and immigrated to Canada as a child with his parents. His father, Jacob Epp, was well known locally as an artist and had received training in Europe. As a child John David Epp received some instruction from his father but received no other formal training. He was not to take up painting seriously, however, until middle age.

In 1968, the business of which he was a part failed. In the ensuing agony of self-doubt and personal evaluation, he turned once more to art. It was immediately obvious that his was an important talent. He had moved to northern Saskatchewan and began to exhibit locally with considerable success. Provincial recognition was immediate and overwhelming. His paintings were soon found in homes and offices throughout Canada and in northern U.S.A.

In 1973, Mr. Epp, who had been the manager of a department store, decided to devote his full time to art and design. Shortly thereafter he accepted appointment as a visiting instructor for Carlton Trail Community College. Demand for his works continues to outstrip availability. His palette knife techniques are outstanding. There is, we suggest, no doubt that he is one of our outstanding artists.