

Don Short

Don Short, of Mount Pearl, Newfoundland and Labrador, is actively engaged in his family life and career. With 20 years in the visual arts [sector], Don has taught art privately and publicly, participated in solo and group art exhibitions, and painted large murals in residential, commercial and public spaces. His output of creative work results in enjoyable, relevant images that present a positive, poetic interpretation of life. Diagnosed HIV positive since January 2006, Don has pursued any opportunity to foster peer support with the PHA community.

Walk in Our Shoes

“Walk in Our Shoes” depicts the ongoing hope of the “red ribbon” highway as it winds through a Canadian landscape to reach a brighter horizon. The road starts as a lace from the walking shoe which represents the commitment of those who participate in the AIDS Walk for Life. It ends as the official red ribbon of the AIDS [movement]...suspended above the sunrise.

Overall, the image is intended to invigorate a renewal of hope and purpose of the AIDS Walk for Life – to identify with those who have HIV/AIDS by walking along the red ribbon highway in support and encouragement.