

Bio

Lori Deeley is an artist, art therapist and art educator based in Kippens, Newfoundland.

Lori earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts/Art Education from Nova Scotia College of Art & Design. She has lived, explored, and painted in Nova Scotia, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan. In 2001, Lori and her young family moved to the rugged west coast of Newfoundland to begin her career in art education. Her extensive exploration of the landscapes and waterways of this island have fed her art practice. Lori strives to transcribe both the energy and calm of her connection to Newfoundland and the North Atlantic.

Artist Statement

Much of my art making, art therapy work, and research has focused on the idea of connection. Connecting with ourselves, each other and the environment/ natural world is increasingly becoming more vital to our mental and physical well-being in this time of the Covid pandemic and our physical disconnect with each other.

How can or how do we connect to the landscape, ourselves and each other through art and exploration of the natural world? In a transient world, how do we connect with place? Through meditative reflection on place, I explore a deeper sense of belonging and “genetic” connection. I use my artmaking practice as a meditative process to slow down, take notice and deeply observe the world around me. The immediacy of watercolour and ink as a medium suit my practice and process.