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Inspired by the West Coast: NVDPL Hosts Celebration for Art Donation

North Vancouver – The Golden Spruce. Buntzen Lake Powerhouse. Vancouver Salt Co. Building. Chances are, if you live in the Greater Vancouver area you have heard about these three West Coast landmarks. Artist Clancy Dennehy seeks to bring the West Coast of BC to artistic life through his unique approach—and with gracious support from Dave Perfit and the help of the North Shore Community Foundation, three pieces of art will adorn the walls of all three North Vancouver District Public Library locations. And on Friday, July 15, the Library invites you to a special donation celebration at the Lynn Valley Library.

The North Vancouver District Public Library is thrilled to accept three very special pieces of Clancy’s local art: “The Golden Spruce”, which pays homage to the iconic Sitka Spruce tree of the Haida Gwaii that was deviously felled by a disgruntled forest engineer; “New Town” which paints a portrait of Vancouver’s Salt Co. building and the City’s development as a logging community; and a new piece, titled “Buntzen Powerhouse on the Indian Arm” which features the S.S. Master, shining a light on the Lower Mainland’s development into a modern city, and juxtaposes the beauty of nature with the need for industrial development. North Shore residents are sure to appreciate the local impressions and the colour they add to the Library atmosphere.

Clancy Dennehy’s artwork is a vibrant mix of materials and colours; he often combines the thick, tactile character of re-claimed wood with contemporary materials like LED lights, bright paints, or ancient techniques of gilding with gold leaf. A rich history of Vancouver emerges through his work, which reflects the richness of the west coast, finding beauty in both nature, and our industrial history of logging and port activity.

All are invited to attend the Donation Celebration, taking place on Friday, July 15 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the Lynn Valley Library. Mingle with the artist, see the pieces in one place before they are distributed amongst the NVDPL Libraries, and enjoy light refreshments.

Interested in a commission? Artist Dennehy would love to hear from you! www.clancydennehy.com

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About Clancy Dennehy

Born in Winnipeg, Clancy graduated from the Nova Scotia College of Art in Halifax. Attracted by the history and drama of the B.C. coast, he landed in Vancouver in 1987 and began carving boats and scenes in wood inspired by Nova Scotia folk art. His works sold at the Canadian Craft Museum and galleries in Whistler, including commissions for Washington/Cates and the Vancouver Port Authority. Following 25 years in the film industry as a Director of Photography, Clancy returns to the woodshop to explore new territory in assemblage.

About North Vancouver District Public Library

North Vancouver District Public Library is an integrated three-location Library system serving the District of North Vancouver. Comprised of the Lynn Valley Library, Capilano Library and Parkgate Library, North Vancouver District Public Library is the busiest library system of its size in Canada. North Vancouver District Public Library can be found online at nvdpl.ca, Facebook: facebook.com/nvdpl, Twitter: twitter.com/nvdpl.ca, Instagram: instagram.com/nvdpl#