

Ted Harrison

(Canadian, 1929 -)



Paradise Visions, 2010
twenty six-colour serigraph, ed. 150
image: 19.5" x 27"
paper: 22.5" x 30"

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Edward Hardy Harrison was born August 28th, 1926 in the village of Wingate In county Durham, England. Grammar school teachers recognized his talent and urged him to further pursue his artistic dreams by going to Art College. In 1943, he enrolled in Hartlepool College of Art and began to study art and design in earnest, but the Second World War interrupted his education. Following military service, he returned to art school and in 1950, received a Diploma in Design. In 1967, he and his family settled in the small town of Carcross just outside Whitehorse, in the Yukon, where they lived until 1993. Harrison was an author and illustrator as well as a printmaker. He was selected for the International Children's Book Exhibition in Bologna, Italy. He illustrated a Robert Service poem "The Cremation of Sam McGee" which one several awards including the Notable Book Award from the American Library Association and the Best Book Selection from The New York Times. In 1987 Harrison was made a Member of the Order of Canada for his contributions to Canadian culture. He also held honorary doctorates from Athabasca University (1991), the University of Victoria (1998) and the University of Alberta (2005). He was made a member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts.

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The serigraph *Paradise Visions* depicts the mountainous landscape and joyous activity found at the Paradise Valley Summer School of Visual Art located near Brackendale, B.C. The bold shapes, colourful style and distinct narrative quality is unmistakably Harrison at his best.

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