

FOSTER/WHITE GALLERY



SHERI BAKES  
*CELESTIAL NAVIGATION*

MARCH 2017





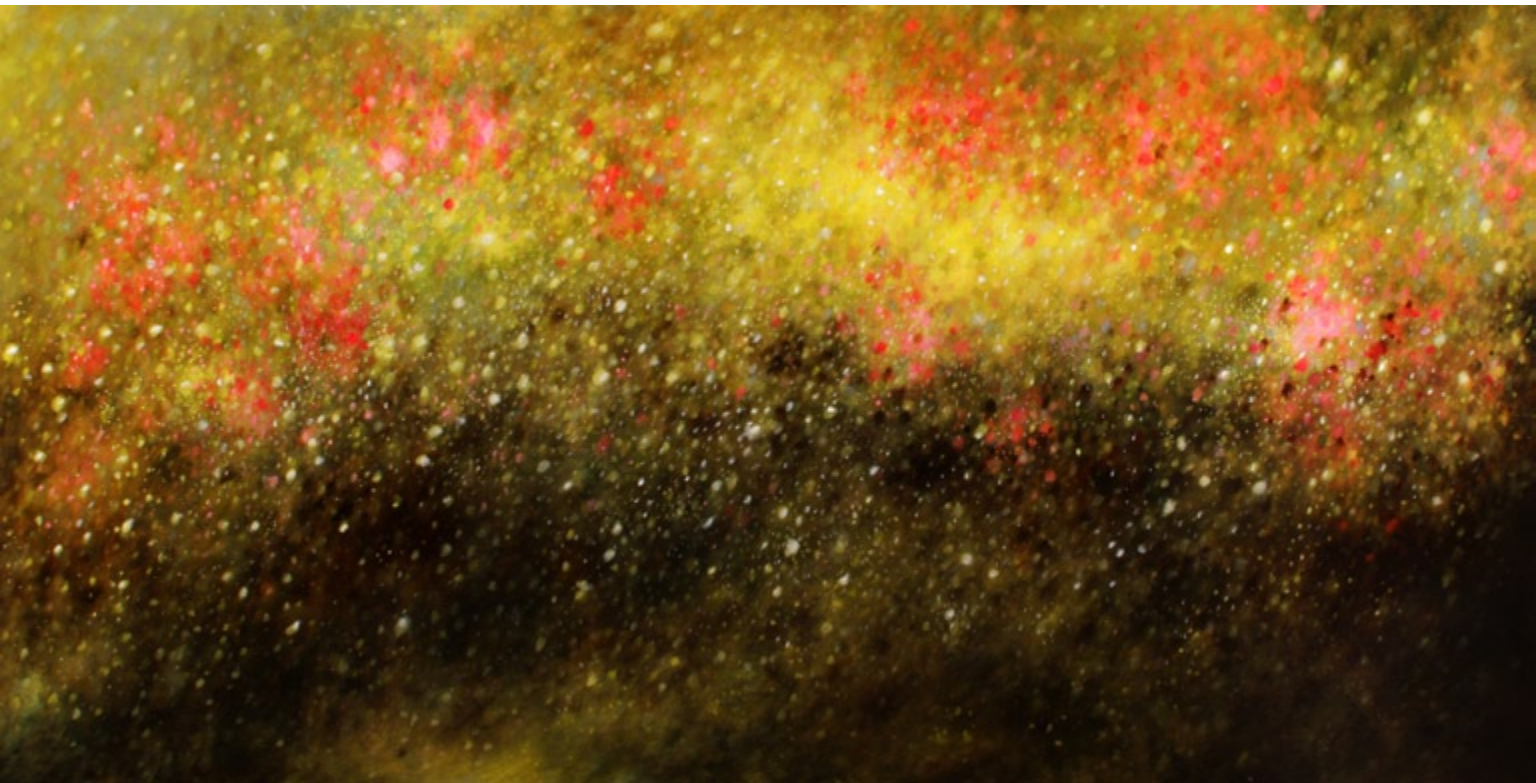
*Falling Stars*, oil on canvas, 54 x 54 inches

Cover page: *Poetry of Stars*, oil on canvas, 40 x 40 inches



*First Light*, oil on canvas, 54 x 60 inches





In creating this body of work I rediscovered the stars. Celestial navigation is the art and science of finding our way by the sun, moon, stars, and planets. It is one of the oldest practices in human history. We have navigated by the heavens since the beginning of recorded history, if not before. Many of the stars have Arabic names because people of the desert used stars for direction, as did mariners. Direction-finding, way-finding, and steering by the stars are mentioned in ancient literature, poetry and other texts.

*Light and Love*, oil on canvas, 36 x 72 inches



*Chaldean shepherds, ranging trackless fields  
Beneath the concave of unclouded skies  
Spread like a sea, in boundless solitude,  
Looked on the pole star, as on a guide  
And guardian of their course, that never closed  
His steadfast eye.*

– William Wordsworth, “Excursion”

I attempted to infuse movement of light and shadow into many layers of depth with implications of stars in landscape at various times of day and night. My hope is that we may all remember the stars and we may all find our way.

*“Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness.” - Desmond Tutu*

*Remember the Moon, oil on canvas, 36 x 72 inches*





*Company for the Moon*, oil on canvas, 36 x 36 inches





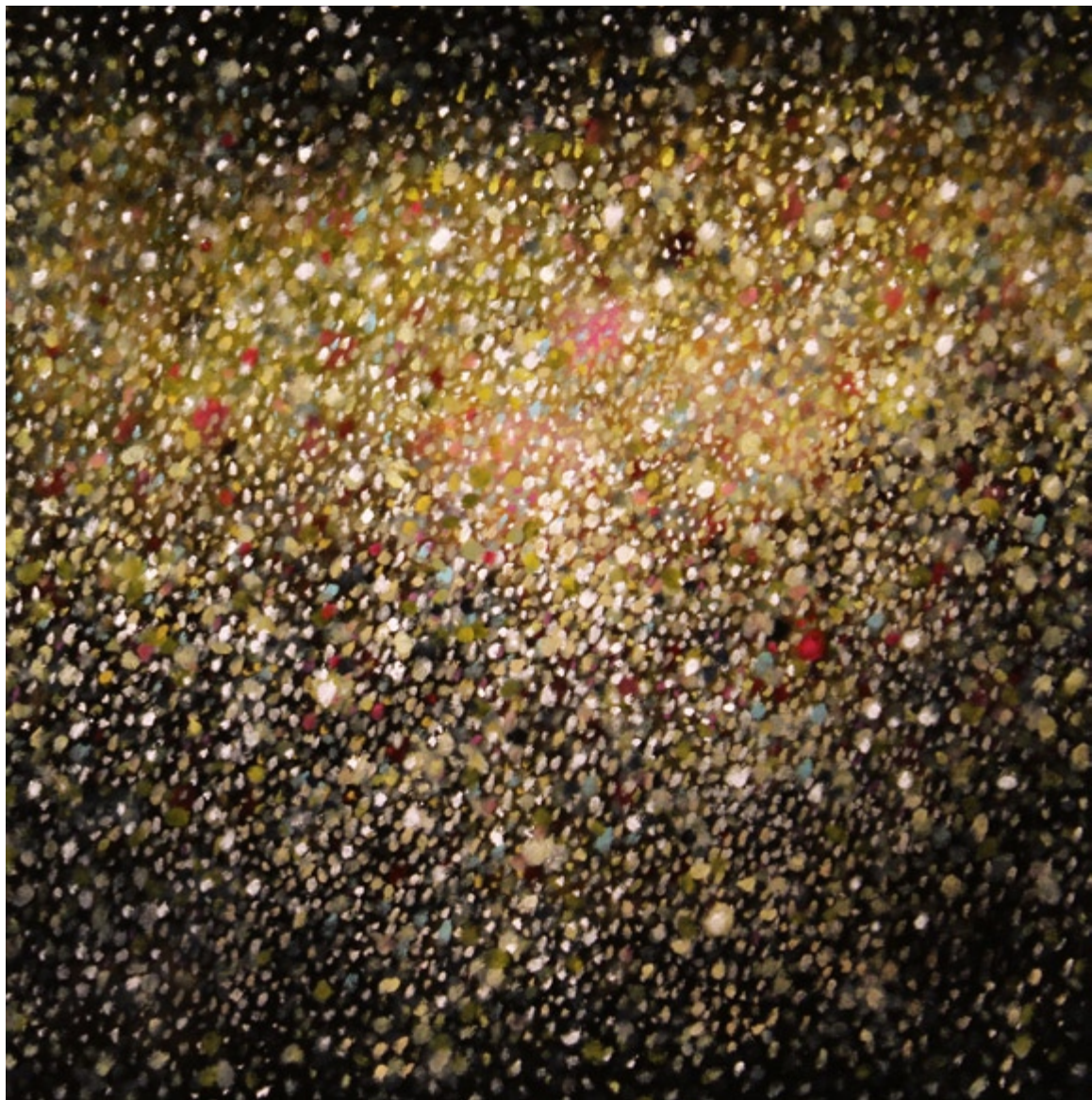
*In the Woods*, oil on canvas, 40 x 40 inches





*Stars in Twilight*, oil on canvas, 30 x 30 inches





*Messengers of the Heart*, oil on canvas, 18 x 18 inches



*Murmurations of Stars*, oil on canvas, 18 x 18 inches





*Starry Arrangements*, oil on canvas, 48 x 48 inches





*Moonshine*, oil on canvas, 40 x 48 inches





*Silent Night*, oil on canvas, 40 x 40 inches

# SHERI BAKES

## Selected Education & Experience

- 2004 Artist in Residency, Pouch Cove, NL
- 2000 Vancouver Art Therapy Institute, Vancouver, BC
- 1999 Malaspina University-College, Nanaimo, BC
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- 1997 Emily Carr Institute, Vancouver, BC, Diploma, Fine Arts
- 1995 Malaspina University-College, Nanaimo, BC, Diploma, Fine Arts
- 1994 Liquitex Award of Excellence Binny & Smith Inc., Easton, PA
- 1989 District Award, Ministry of Education, Nanaimo, BC

## Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2017 'Celestial Navigation,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle WA
- 2016 'Stars in Flowers,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 'Falling for the Sky,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2015 'Even in the Dark,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 'Flowers for the Dark,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2014 'Into the Life of All Things,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 'A Meaningful Life,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2013 'Windsong,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2012 'Sure As The Weather,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2011 'Arrangements,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 'Let Nature Speak for Itself,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver
- 2010 'Special Places Initiative,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2009 'Immortal Beloved' Cella Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2008 'Voices: Howe Sound,' Foster/ White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 'The Silent Treatment: Desolation Sound,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2007 'Long Before the Sky Would Open,' Bau-Xi Gallery Toronto, ON
- 2006 'Vacancy,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2005 'Vanier Park,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2004 'Newfoundland,' Bau-Xi Gallery Toronto, ON
- 2003 'Chasing the Wind,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2002 'Squall: Neck Point,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC



- 2001 'Penny Paintings,' H.C.R.B. Gallery, Port Theatre, Nanaimo, BC
- 1997 'The Graveyard Series,' The Closet Gallery, Nanaimo, BC
- 1989 'Sheri Bakes,' Nanaimo Arts Council, Nanaimo, BC

### Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2014 Toronto Art Fair, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2013 Toronto Art Fair, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2012 'Carded,' Grunt Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2011 Toronto Art Fair, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, BC
- 2010 'Olive Branch,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2006 Hubert Gallery, New York, NY
- 2005 'Bau-Xi Gallery's 40th Anniversary,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2004 'Small Works Christmas Show,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
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- 1997 'Student Grad Show,' Concourse Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 1996 Student Exhibit, Concourse Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 1995 Student Exhibit, Concourse Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 1994 'Progressions,' Nanaimo Art Gallery, Nanaimo, BC
- 1989 Local Student Art Works, Nanaimo Arts Council, Nanaimo, BC

### Selected Collections

- Emaar Properties, Dubai, UAE
- Enunciate Conferencing, Ottawa, ON
- Toronto Dominion Bank, Toronto, ON
- Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, BC

### Selected Reviews and Interviews

- 2012 'Sheri Bakes: Hot Art Wet City,' Vancouver, BC
- 2007 Intimacy Through Nature, Parkhurst Exchange, Montreal, QC
- 2004 'Nanaimo artist travelling with the wind,' Victoria Times Colonist
- 2002 'Seven Days,' Vancouver Sun, Quebec

- 1996 'An Art Exhibition of Extraordinary Proportions,' Arts Unlimited
- 1997 'Closet Gallery Opening,' the Nanaimo Times Newspaper
- 1994 'Progressions '94,' the Nanaimo Art Gallery and Exhibition Centre Newsletter
- 1989 'Eagle Eyed,' the Nanaimo Times, Nanaimo, BC
- 1988 'Budding Artists,' The Nanaimo Times, Nanaimo, BC

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