



# Margaret Cresswell

## Profile

Marg is an acclaimed muralist who completed her final year of study in Florence, Italy, and graduated from the Ontario College of Art. With over two decades of experience, she has created numerous public and private murals. In 2007, Marg was invited to exhibit her large-scale paintings at the **Biennale Internazionale Dell'Arte Contemporanea** in Florence, Italy. In 2018, her work was featured in the international street art publication **"Urban Scrawl"** (Australia). In 2019, Marg participated as a wildcard in the first season of **Landscape Artist of the Year, Canada**, which aired on CBC in the fall of 2020. In 2021, she received the **Denis Diderot Grant** to attend a month-long artist residency at **the Chateau D'Orquevaux** in France. Since 2024, Marg has contributed to mural festivals in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Ontario. She continues to exhibit her work and expands her public art presence across Canada in 2026.

## Selected Commissioned Public Artworks

- 2026 **Taste of the Junction: Passageways**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2026 **STEPS & Old Town Toronto BIA, Scottish Beaver**, Toronto, Ont.
- 2026 **Downtown Orangeville BIA Mural Commission**, Ontario
- 2025 **Carrot Common Mural Commission, Toronto, Ontario**
- 2025 **The Junction BIA Window Wonderland Mural Commission, TO**
- 2025 **Riverdale BIA, Window Wonderland**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2025 **South West Mural Fest, Mural Commission**, Shaunavon, Sask.
- 2025 **Downtown Orangeville BIA, Mural Commission**, Ontario
- 2025 **Cooksville LTCH Mural Commission**, The Butterfly Project
- 2024 **Volkswagen Buzz Mural Commission**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2024 **Wellington Park LTCH Murals Commission**, Butterfly Project
- 2024 **Downtown Orangeville BIA Mural Commission**, Ontario
- 2024 **Riverside BIA and Leslieville BIA, Window Wonderland, TO,**
- 2024 **Mural Routes Celebrate Dundalk! Commission**, Ontario
- 2024 **Wood Buffalo Mural Fest, Commission**, Fort McMurray, Alberta
- 2023 **HR REITT Mural Commission**, North York, Ontario
- 2023 **The Junction BIA Window Wonderland Mural Commission, TO**
- 2023 **Lakeshore BIA Mural Commission**, Etobicoke, Ontario
- 2023 **StART, Partnership Program Mural**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2022 **STEPS/Allet REIT Mural Commission**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2022 **Mural Routes & Midtown BIA, Mural Commission**, Toronto
- 2021 **Green Storage & StART, Partnership Program Mural**, Toronto
- 2021 **Mount Pleasant Village BIA Mural Commission**, Toronto, Ont.
- 2021 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2020 **Mount Pleasant Village BIA Mural Commission**, Toronto, Ont.
- 2018 **Regal Heights BIA Mural Commission**, Toronto, Ontario
- 2018 **StART – David French Laneway Mural Commission, TO**, Ont.
- 2017 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2017 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2017 **Bell Box Mural Commission**, City Of Toronto, Ontario
- 2017 **Bell Box Mural Commission**, City Of Toronto, Ontario
- 2016 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2016 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2016 **Bell Box Mural Commission**, City Of Toronto, Ontario
- 2016 **Bell Box Mural Commission**, City Of Toronto, Ontario
- 2015 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario
- 2015 **StART -Outside the Box**, City of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario

## Mural Festivals

- 2025 **South West Mural Fest**, Mural Commission, Shaunavon, Sask
- 2024 **Celebrate Dundalk!** Mural Commission, Dundalk, Ontario
- 2024 **Wood Buffalo Mural Fest**, Mural Commission, Fort McMurray, Alberta



## Selected Exhibitions and Fairs

2025 **SWMF Exhibition**, Grand Coteau Museum, Shaunavon, Sask.  
2025 **Cats! Exhibition**, **Bungalow Gallery**, Toronto, Ontario, May  
2024 **The Junction Window Wonderland AR Exhibition**, Dec-Jan, TO  
2024 **Toronto Outdoor Art Fair**, July 12-14, Nathan Phillips Square  
2023 **ARTiculations Window Wonderland Exhibition**, Dec., Toronto.  
2023 **Toronto Outdoor Art Fair**, July 7-9, Nathan Phillips Square  
2022 **ARTiculations Window Wonderland Exhibition**, Dec., Toronto.  
2021 **Gallery Dittero, Residency Exhibition**, Orquevaux, France  
2021 **Artist Project**, April 29-May 5, online exhibition  
2020 **Toronto Outdoor Art Fair**, July- December, online fair  
2020 **Bungalow Gallery**, July, Toronto, Ontario  
2020 **RAW, National Arts Drive**, June, Toronto, Ontario  
2019 **Pieces, Bungalow Gallery**, April, Toronto Ontario  
2018 **Scapegoat, Leaside Library**, January, Toronto, Ontario  
2018 **Artist Project**, February, Toronto, Ontario  
2017 **Artist Project**, February, Toronto, Ontario  
2017 **Drawn on Memory, Leaside Library**, March, Toronto, Ontario  
2007 **Biennale Internazionale Dell'Arte Contemporanea** Florence, Italy

### Contact Information:

#### PHONE:

Studio: 416-299-9614

#### WEBSITE:

[www.muralsbymarg.ca](http://www.muralsbymarg.ca)

#### EMAIL:

[marg@muralsbymarg.ca](mailto:marg@muralsbymarg.ca)

#### ADDRESS:

351 Broadway Avenue  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada, M4P 1W8

## Honours/Awards/Residencies

**1<sup>st</sup> Place People's Choice, Window Wonderland Riverdale BIA**, Toronto 2025  
**The Denis Diderot Artist in Residence Grant**, Orquevaux, France 2021  
**Houzz**, Design Award – 2017/2020/2021  
**BUILD**, Fine Muralist of the Year Award, Canada, 2020/2021  
**Houzz**, Customer Service Award – 2016/2018/2023  
**Certificate of Appreciation** – House of Commons, Richmond Hill, Ont.  
**Houzz**, Customer Satisfaction Award 2015  
**Scotia Bank**, United Way Campaign, Certificate of Appreciation  
**Canadian Business Resource Centre**, SEDI Award  
**Ontario College of Art** – Certificate of Appreciation

## Employment Experience

### **-Murals By Marg, Toronto, Ontario *Celebrating 25 Years!***

Owner & Artist (2001-Present)

- Experience in the production of community, commercial and residential art
- Working knowledge of artistic and archival painting techniques and restoration
- Certified for Working at Heights, Scissor and Boom lift trained
- Contract mentoring through the City of Toronto's StART program and Mural Routes

**-Lonsdale Gallery, Toronto, Ontario -Administrator (1999-2001)**

**-Interior Design Show & One of a Kind, Toronto, Ontario - Administration Assistant (1996-2000)**

**-Ritin's Studio, Frank Stella, & Various Art Studios, Toronto, Ontario -- Mural Artist and Preparatory Assistant (1995-2001)**

**-C International Contemporary Art Magazine, Toronto, Ontario (1995-96)**

## Social media

### @muralsbymarg

•Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/muralsbymarg/>

•Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/muralsbymarg/>

•LinkedIn:

<https://ca.linkedin.com/company/murals-by-marg>

•Pinterest:

<https://www.pinterest.ca/muralsbymarg/>

•Houzz:

<https://www.houzz.com/pro/muralsbymarg/public>

•Tumblr:

<https://muralsbymarg.tumblr.com/>

## Press and Publications

- [The Dundalk Herald](#), Dundalk Ontario, Celebrate Dundalk! Murals 2024
- <https://torontonewswire.com/january-2024/> South Etobicoke News, Mural Story, 2023
- [Urban Scrawl: the written word in street art](#), Lou Chamberlin, published Hardie Grant Travel 2018
- [How Toronto Learned to Embrace its Street Art – The Art Newspaper – November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016](#)  
<http://theartnewspaper.com/news/news/how-toronto-learned-to-embrace-street-art/>
- CIRC, Success Story – July 2016 <https://cira.ca/ca-domains/success-stories/murals-marg-%CC%B6-canadian-artist-showcases-her-portfolio-using-ca-website>
- Outside the Boxes Reimagined as Works of Art - Toronto Star -- May 3, 2016  
<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2016/05/02/traffic-signal-boxes-reimagined-as-works-of-art.html>
- 100<sup>th</sup> Bell Box Mural – North York Mirror - October 23, 2015  
<http://www.insidetoronto.com/news-story/6033138-north-york-artist-natasha-kudashkina-paints-100th-bell-box-mural/>

## Academic background

**Ontario College of Art, Independent Study Program, Florence, Italy**  
**Ontario College of Art**, Graduated AOCA, Fine Art, TO, Ontario  
**Centennial College**, Graduated SEA Program, Toronto, Ontario,  
**Art Gallery of Ontario School**, Graduated Advanced Painting  
**St. Joseph's Morrow Park HS**, Graduated OSSD Honours



# Margaret Cresswell Artwork Samples –10 images

## 1. Frank And Friends



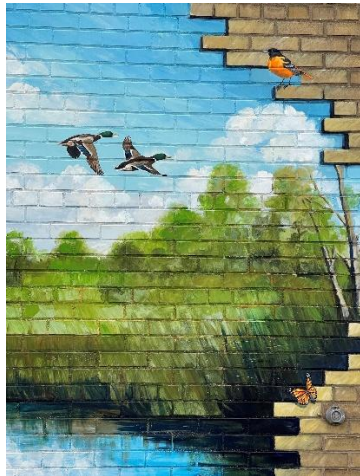
## 2. Nistawayaw: Where the Three Rivers Meet



### 3. The Beauty of Orangeville



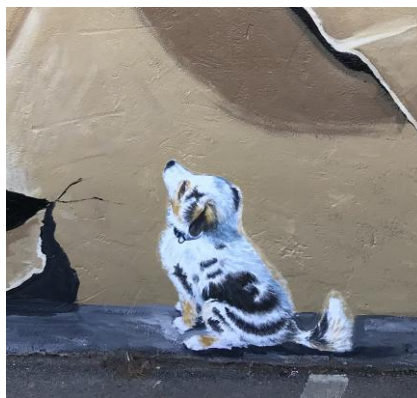
#### 4. The Beauty of Lakeshore Village



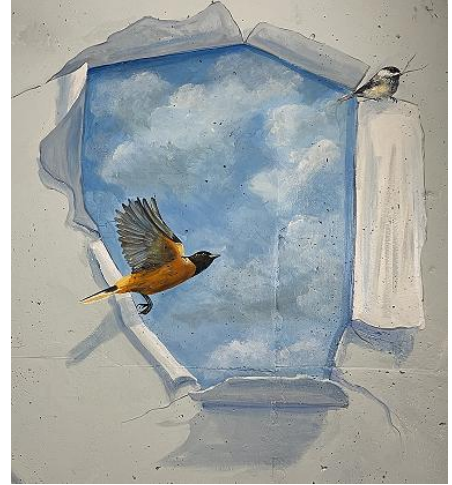
5. Meet Me at the Red Canoe



## 6. The Future of Mount Pleasant Village



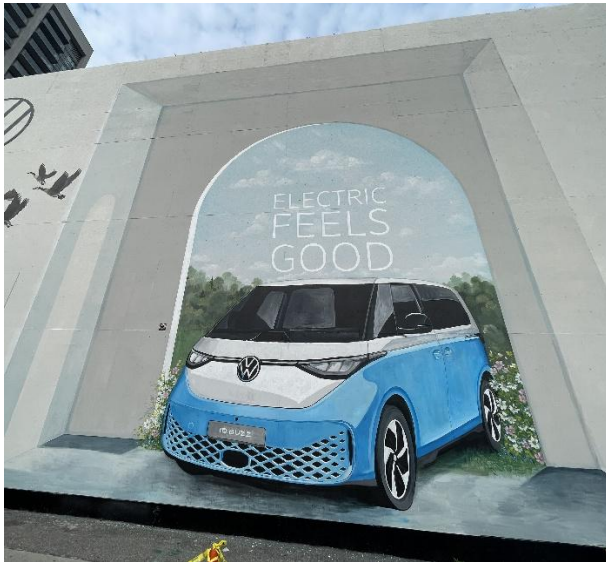
## 7. Halfway Up the Stairs



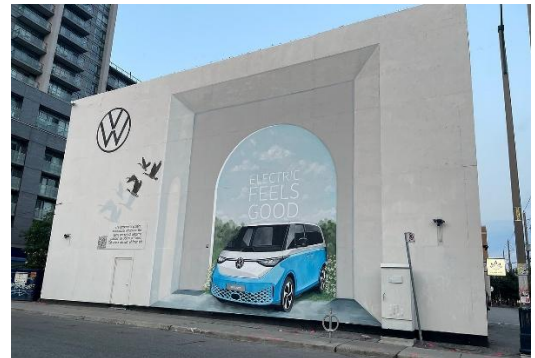
8. Celebrate Dundalk! Past and Present



## 9. Electric Feels Good!



The carbon eating paint in this mural will absorb the same amount of airborne pollution as 350m<sup>2</sup> of forest. Talk about a breath of fresh air!



# 10. History of Highland Creek



## Support Materials List – Margaret Cresswell

### 1. Frank And Friends

Year: 2025

Location: Shaunavon, Saskatchewan

Commissioned By: **SouthWest Mural Fest**

Size: 20'x 30'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick.

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

### 2. Nistawayaw: Where the Three Rivers Meet

Year: 2024

Location: Fort McMurray, Alberta

Commissioned By: **Fort McMurry Wood Buffalo Arts Council**

Size: 15' x 70'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick.

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

### 3. The Beauty of Orangeville

Year: 2024

Location: Orangeville, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Orangeville BIA**

Size: 8' x 16'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on MDO and installed

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

### 4. The Beauty of Lakeshore Village

Year: 2023

Location: Lakeshore Road

Commissioned By: **Lakeshore Village BIA**

Size: 12' x 35'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

### 5. Meet Me at the Red Canoe

Year: 2022

Location: 2111 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Mural Routes and Midtown BIA**

Size: 12' x 22'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

## 6. The Future of Mount Pleasant Village

Year: 2020

Location: Mount Pleasant Road, Toronto, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Mount Pleasant Village BIA**

Size: 26' x 40'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

## 7. Halfway Up the Stairs

Year: 2022

Location: 163 Peter Street, Toronto, Ontario

Commissioned By: **STEPS and Allied REIT**

Size: 12' x 25'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on brick

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

## 8. Celebrate Dundalk! Past and Present

Year: 2024

Location: Proton Road Dundalk, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Mural Routes and Township of Southgate for Dundalk, Ontario**

Size: 10' x 10'

Materials: Artist & exterior acrylic paint on aluminum.

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

## 9. Electric Feels Good!

Year: 2024

Location: Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Volks Wagon, Type and Ace Burton Media**

Size: 40' x 60'

Materials: Carbon eating paint, artist acrylic and exterior paint on plywood.

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

## 10. The History of Highland Creek

Year: 2021

Location: Kingston Road, Scarborough, Ontario

Commissioned By: **Highland Creek Corporation**

Size: 26' x 60'

Materials: Artist acrylic and exterior paint on brick.

Designed and Hand painted by Margaret Cresswell (no AI used)

Primer, base coat and on-site assistant: Dave Bagley

Please view my extensive portfolio online at: [www.muralsbymarg.ca](http://www.muralsbymarg.ca)

## References

Name: **Carol Jolly, Executive Director**  
Organization: **The Junction Business Improvement Area, City of Toronto**  
Relationship: BIA Client, 2021- 2026  
Contact Number: 416-561-3683  
Email: [carol@torontojunction.ca](mailto:carol@torontojunction.ca)

Name: **Alison Scheel, General Manager,**  
Organization: **Orangeville Business Improvement Area (OBIA), Orangeville**  
Relationship: Mural Client 2024-2026  
Contact Number: 519-942-0087  
Email: [info@downtownorangeville.ca](mailto:info@downtownorangeville.ca)