## Norton's Cove Studio Inc.

Wesleyville, NL

"As entrepreneurs and responsible citizens we need to ask the question - Why pollute our planet and bodies when it is so unnecessary?"

Janet Davis, Owner Norton's Cove Studio

Norton's Cove Studio Inc. is an art studio that has a fully operational non-toxic intaglio and relief print shop. To the best of owner Janet Davis' knowledge it is the only completely non-toxic print shop in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The non-toxic techniques used by Davis utilize regular household supplies in lieu of harmful chemicals and toxins to create the same effects. According to research, "there are 112 toxic and noxious substances commonly used by practitioners of traditional printmaking media. A non-toxic print shop is suitable for use by all ages, whereas age restrictions are put on a traditional print shop because of harmful environmental effects".



The initial idea for her non-toxic print shop came from a workshop during Davis' studies at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. Aside from the environmental and health benefits associated with environmentally sustainable business practices, Davis also enjoys the fact that there is no need for extraction systems, respirators and disposing of toxic chemicals. She believes that many artists, aspiring artists and customers are concerned about health and the environment and, as a result, the concept of a non-toxic print shop has been very well received by those who have visited her studio.

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