

New Artwork Selected for 2010 Damariscotta Pumpkinfest & Regatta

Damariscotta artist Jacques Vesery has created the artwork for this year's Pumpkinfest which will be used on posters and T-shirt for the event. Although Vesery's work is primarily sculptural, he has designed logos and illustrations in the past for many businesses, foundations and non-profits throughout the United States including a new logo for "Healthy Kids".

While serving in the US Navy aboard a nuclear submarine, the USS George Washington (SSBN598), Vesery was considered the "unofficial illustrator" for the command as there are no billets on a submarine for an artist. He designed everything from full color charts for Pentagon debriefings to art on bulkheads and banners. As a carver and sculptor, he continually drew in a journal while at sea during his 5 deterrent patrols in the Pacific since no wood was permitted on board the boat for fire safety reasons.

Much of Vesery's current work relates to his lifelong experiences and relationship to the sea. Vesery has work in several public permanent collections including a recent acquisition by the Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh, Pa. His work will appear in a new book "One Hundred Artists of New England" to be released in the spring of 2011. He also has a piece featured in the current issue of Maine Magazine.

Vesery will be a guest speaker at River Arts on 170 Main Street in Damariscotta on November 14, 2010, and at "Chats with Champions" at Skidompha Library on January 6, 2011. To learn more about Vesery's work, go to www.jacquesvesery.com.

2010 Damariscotta Pumpkinfest & Regatta T-shirts and posters will be available through the Damariscotta Region Chamber of Commerce. The 2009 Pumpkinfest T-shirt and Pumpkinfest's "forever" logo were designed by Newcastle artist Glenn Chadbourne. A few of these terrific "collectors' editions" will be available this year.

Photo Caption #1:

Full color design for 2010 Damariscotta Pumpkinfest & Regatta posters (T-shirts will be four color) were created by local artist Jacques Vesery. Both are available through the Damariscotta Region Chamber of Commerce. (Photo provided by Jacques Vesery.)

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Photo Caption # 2:

Artwork from submarine service journal of artist Jacques Vesery, drawn in 1980 while at sea in the Pacific. (Photo provided by Jacques Vesery.)

