

## Greetings

*Time flies...*

Hope this finds you healthy and happy! We have lots of exciting news to share in this issue of our newsletter. Also, if you have access to the Internet, remember to bookmark and visit our **web site** often ([www.davidkitler.com](http://www.davidkitler.com)). There you will find the most up-to-date information on originals and reproductions available from David's studio, as well as on the calendar of upcoming events. As always, remember that we love to hear from you, so send us your questions and comments (see the "How to Contact Us" box). //

## In the Field

*Northwest Territories*

This year David had the opportunity to explore Canada North of the 60th Parallel, the **Northwest Territories**. About the size of Texas, but with a population of only around 42,000, the region is renowned for its rugged beauty. From thunderous wilderness rivers and the world's best views of the Aurora Borealis (the capital, Yellowknife, gets 243 Auroral nights each year), to countless canoe trails and wildlife viewing opportunities, the area is a nature-lover's paradise!

He also spent some time in Wood Buffalo

# Voice for the Wild



National Park. The largest in Canada (equivalent in size to Switzerland), the park has

been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its outstanding natural features.

You will probably see the "wild" residents of the region in some of David's future paintings. Stay tuned! //

## Travel Opportunity

*Kitlers invited to lead trip to Brazil*

Brazil... The word evokes images like no other: rainforests, exotic animals, beaches, waterfalls. In **May 2004**, David and his wife Ly (pronounced "Lee") will be leading a 2-week **trip to Brazil**, a vast country with several distinctly different biomes. This is your chance to experience some of them and visit several of the most spectacular settings in the continent, where opportunities for wildlife-viewing, bird watching, and general photography abound.



*"Toco Toucan" from the Pantanal*

David and Ly have traveled extensively throughout Brazil, and would love to share all they have seen in that amazing country with friends. Ly is originally from Brazil and her first-hand knowledge of the language and culture, her love for her beautiful native country, and her attention to detail, make her the perfect person with whom to visit Brazil.

David, for his part, deeply enjoys nature and sharing the knowledge he has

## Following David's Tracks



**November 16-17, 2003**

### **Wildlife in Acrylics Workshop**

Valley Art Association  
Forest Grove, OR

For additional information:  
(503) 357-3703  
[www.valleyart.org](http://www.valleyart.org)

**November 21-23, 2003**

### **Wildlife in Acrylics Workshop**

Arts Desire  
Vancouver, WA

For additional information:  
(360) 693-0028  
[www.bevelar.com](http://www.bevelar.com)

**November 28-30, 2003**

### **Audubon Society of Portland's 24th Wild Arts Festival**

DoubleTree Hotel  
Portland Lloyd Center  
Portland, OR

For additional information:  
(503) 292-6855  
[www.audubonportland.org](http://www.audubonportland.org)

**January 30 - February 1, 2004**

### **11th Florida Wildlife Art Exposition**

Lakeland Center  
Lakeland, FL

For additional information:  
(941) 364-9453  
[www.wildlifeartexpo.com](http://www.wildlifeartexpo.com)

**February 6, 2004 (1 - 9pm)  
February 7-8, 2004 (9am - 5pm)**

### **Wildlife in Acrylics Workshop**

Location in the Lakeland / Lake Wales / Orlando area to be confirmed

For additional information:  
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## How to Contact Us



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accumulated over the years while observing and studying the animals he loves to paint.

Some of the more exciting items in the itinerary include: a visit to **Iguassu Falls** and the largest remaining area of Atlantic forest that surrounds the falls; staying at a lodge that has been built at the level of the **Amazon rainforest** canopy; and a "safari" into the **Pantanal**, the largest continental wetland on Earth, where some 650 bird, 80 mammal, 260 fish, and 50 reptile species make their home.

If you have always dreamed of visiting Brazil, wait no more. For more information, call Skies Unlimited at (888) 280-6890, or visit their web site at [www.skiesunlimited.com](http://www.skiesunlimited.com). Spaces are very limited, so call soon! //

## In the Classroom

*Classes and workshops*

David has been teaching since 1993 and his classes and workshops are always a big hit. Regular **weekly art classes** continue at Jon Williams Studio in Calgary. Classes are open to students working on any subject or medium. For class information, check David's web site or give him a call.

David also teaches a number of **acrylic workshops**. Artists of all skill levels are invited to register. Whether you have always wanted to try acrylics but did not know where to start, or whether you have been using this versatile medium, but want to further develop your technique, David's hands-on workshops are the answer. While working on a wildlife subject of your choice, David will review drawing and painting basics, while also teaching techniques that are specific to painting with acrylics. Learning is further facilitated by live demonstrations, slide shows, and a critique of participants' recent work.



*Scarlet over Green*

Check the "Following David's Tracks" column or David's web site for dates and locations of future workshops. If you are a member of a local art association and think other members would enjoy hearing about these workshops, please send us the association's information and we will follow up with them.

**Save!** In order to assist us in finalizing the plans for the 2004 workshops (Florida and California), we are offering a **10% discount** on the cost of these workshops if you register by December 31, 2003. Classes are limited to 15 participants, so register soon or contact us for more information. //

## Highlights

*Awards & Recognition*

David's "Racoons (Young) Diptych" has been selected for inclusion in the 2004 **Ducks Unlimited Canada** National Art Print Portfolio. Prints will be published by Ducks Unlimited and will be featured at the highly popular Ducks Unlimited dinner auctions, as well as through an online auction and at sealed bid auctions at quality venues. These activities generate important funds for Ducks Unlimited. Starting in January 2005, David will have a small number of **Artist Proofs** of the image available for sale. Please let us know if you would like to pre-order one of these Artist Proofs.



Reminder: Only 100 Artist Proofs of David's "**Rocky Mountain Eye**" piece, which was published as the 2003 Alberta Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Print, will be available for sale from David's studio starting in **January 2004**. Some have already been pre-ordered, so call us if you would like to reserve yours.

David is also honoured that his "**In the Heat of Winter (Scrub Jay)**" piece has been selected as a finalist in the Animal Art category of the 20th Annual **Artist's Magazine Art Competition**. This is an accomplishment to be proud of,

especially since there were over 13,000 entries in the competition. This image was also a winner at the 2002 *Arts for the Parks* "Mini 50" competition in 2002.

And last but not least, for the fourth year in a row, two of David's pieces received Collector's Choice Awards during the ARTessential Art Show in Calgary. "Scarlet over Green" was selected as **Best of Show - Acrylic Painting**, and "Bald Eagle Diptych" won in the **Best of Show - Mixed Media** category. Thanks to all who visited the show and supported David by voting. //

## Following David's Tracks

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**February 12-15, 2004**

### **22nd Southeastern Wildlife Exposition**

Charleston Place / Hibernian Hall  
Charleston, SC

For additional information:  
(843) 723-1748  
[www.sewe.com](http://www.sewe.com)

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**February 27-29, 2004**

### **34th Spokane Western Art Show**

WestCoast Ridpath Hotel  
Spokane, WA

For additional information:  
(509) 922-4545  
[www.artshows.net](http://www.artshows.net)

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**April 16, 2004 (1 - 9pm)**

**April 17-18, 2004 (9am - 5pm)**

### **Wildlife in Acrylics Workshop**

Location in the Temecula / San Diego corridor to be confirmed

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