



Simple Kindnesses



How are you doing?

Whether you are feeling hopeful now that our numbers are dropping and vaccines are rolling out or still in the thick of lockdowns I think we can all agree that it has been a difficult time for so many people in so many different ways.

When things get particularly stressful, I will often go down to the ocean and take a few moments to watch and listen to the sound of the waves as they reach the shore. They go in, and out. In, and out. No slower, no faster, no matter what may be happening on land. And they always have, and they always will.

And although things are tougher right now in Nova Scotia, up until recently we have been relatively fortunate here, and in spite of my own personal difficulties I have spent much of the past year feeling grateful for the beauty and support of the community that surrounds me.

But knowing that so many people have not been so blessed I would like to make an offer to you.

If you, or someone you know is having a particularly tough time and could use a lift, or a "hang in there" please let me know and I will send a pair of my Shoreline sterling stud earrings. No charge.

I'm not a frontline worker. I don't work in healthcare or government or public health or education or in any one of so many fields where people are struggling and giving it all they've got in spite of enormous challenges- but I still have my studio and some extra time these days and I would be happy to help in this small way.

Origins Earrings

The texture on these **sterling silver earrings** was created by taking an impression from a piece of slate from the ocean shoreline outside of my Blandford studio.

The circular design reflects the cycle of life; the spark that began in the ocean, forever continuing its evolution.





Click here for my **e-mail** [address](#) you would like me to send a pair. I will just need the mailing address!

Please indicate if you would like me to enclose a message. I will make and send them out on a first come first serve basis.

Wishing you all the very best, and many thanks as always.

Allyson

Artist Statement

The reward is in the act of observing. Stone colours, textures, the shape of leaves, the ebb and flow of the sea, the changing seasons - all of these things continue to inspire my work. A gesture of thanks and appreciation.

At first it was a technical challenge - to really learn to see the natural world and to develop techniques to capture a sense of it in metal. But as time has passed I am now realizing another purpose: Connection. People connecting to place, places connecting to each other and our shared connection to the world around us.

Almost 20 years ago one of my students said the following to me:

"The moon casts three shadows you know."

I am still thinking about it.

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Jewelry Designer and Goldsmith, Instructor- Inspired by the Canadian and Arctic Landscapes

I spent years travelling and living across Canada and in Canada's Arctic giving workshops, establishing jewellery studios, teaching and encouraging others to pursue a career in the arts.

In 2000 I moved back to Nova Scotia and began work on **Seal Rock Studio**. My family and I currently live on Nova Scotia's scenic South Shore. I continue to work as a professional artist, exploring the theme of the Canadian and Arctic landscapes – sharing my experiences both North and South.

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