

LITTLE CRICKET GIFT GALLERY



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*"Botany, horticulture, ecology
and the point at which creativity
intersects with the natural world
are what inspires me..."*

~ Kirsten Chursinoff



I am always on the look out for artists who do things differently. Maybe it's a "look" or a style that I have not carried before at The Cricket.

Over the years I have found amazing painters who have shown their work on our gallery walls; photographers with an eye to capture the unusual; and many wall plaques that have been the perfect small gift for family or friends. Well, now Kirsten Chursinoff's work adds a new dimension for me and our Cricket customers.

At a distance Kirsten's art form resembles a painting, but up close her pieces unveil layers of fabric, threads and beads to create magical images of nature, landscape, ocean and abstract designs:

"I start with an artist canvas to begin the collage process," she says. "When I'm happy with the placement of the larger objects, I start to work aggressively with my sewing machine and continue adding smaller hand sewn details with textured yarns, beads & small found objects".

Kirsten's goal is "to bring the fabric surface a little closer to fine painting, while retaining the unmistakable wonder of fiber manipulation."

Living in Vancouver and on Canada's West Coast has been an inspiration for many of Kirsten's pieces. Those who take an added interest in the nature of Kirsten's work do so through her many lectures, art demonstrations, studio teaching experiences, as well as the solo & duo exhibitions of her work.

Pieces of her fine work can be found in private collections throughout Canada, Australia, the USA, Europe and Japan.

Kirsten Chursinoff's work will be introduced at our upcoming Maple Ridge and Fort Langley customer appreciation events.

