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Artists Renée Savoie's Assemblage/Mixed Media and Ginny Joyner's Watercolors at Vintage Inspired In September for Art Hop

Burlington, VT: (September 1, 2015) Vintage Inspired Lifestyle Marketplace on Flynn Avenue in Burlington is pleased to announce an exhibition of assemblage/mixed media from Quebec artist Renée Savoie, entitled *The Assemblage of My Life* in the main gallery space. In addition, the back hallway at Vintage Inspired will feature watercolors, giclee prints and cards entitled *Inspired by Vintage*, by Vermont artist Ginny Joyner. The exhibitions open with a reception during Art Hop on Friday, September 11th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm, and run through September 30th. Vintage Inspired, A vibrant marketplace for antique dealers, artists and craftspeople, is located at 180 Flynn Avenue, and is open Monday through Saturday from 10am to 5pm and Sunday from 12pm to 4pm.

SPECIAL EVENT:

Renée Savoie will be hosting a workshop at Vintage Inspired during Art Hop

ASSEMBLAGE MIXED MEDIA PIECE

Saturday, September 12th 1pm – 4pm

Cost: \$50

Assemblage is the process of making three-dimensional artistic compositions by putting together found objects. This class is open to all levels and you will be encouraged to combine new and creative techniques to incorporate mixed media, found objects, sewing notions, vintage toys and family snapshots with glue and ingenuity to make an evocative assemblage. This is a great way to bring new life and create new meanings by recombining old objects in a fresh new way. Supplies are included but this is a great excuse to scour Vintage Lifestyle Marketplace to find goodies to incorporate into your pieces. Feel free to bring photos and trinkets from home but please note that if you plan to use family photographs or other personal papers, you should make copies in advance and bring them with you to class. Call or email Vintage Inspired to register.

Renée Savoie - *The Assemblage of My Life*

Artist Statement:

Human beings have been altering objects for centuries. In early cultures, ritual objects and objects of adornment were embellished with natural items such as feathers, bones and shells. The objects were transformed from their natural state (altered, if you will) by the hands of humans. Assemblage, or altered art, has increased in popularity in recent years but its roots are found in something far older. It is the essence of this art form that we take something old, and perhaps useless, and create from it something new and beautiful.

With the specter of turning 40 looming, I have engaged in a lot of introspection. I felt it was time to honour my `assemblage` of memories and thought that this was the perfect art form with which to do so. This collection is all about the different parts of my past and each sculptural canvas represents an event, person, specific time, or a state of mind in my life. All done in the spirit of re-using and creating new meaning with pieces that already come with their own stories. Come and share in the bits and bobs of my amazing journey thus far!!

Artist Bio:

Renée Savoie of Peaberry Designs is a self-taught mixed media artist from Canada's capital region. She has been creative for as long as she can remember but once she discovered the world of mixed media she knew she had found her bliss. She has lived in different places around the world but no place has been as influential on her creativity as her time spent in the Canadian North. A huge fan of all things vintage, she combines previously loved items with her love of texture, paper and paint to make things with depth and character. Renee loves to experiment, constantly trying new products and techniques. When this coffee addict is not travelling to teach or showcase her work she is hanging out with her partner Chris and three beautiful girls who are a huge source of inspiration. She loves to help others to find and follow their bliss!! You can find her and her creative musings at www.peaberrydesigns.com.

Ginny Joyner's *Inspired by Vintage* brings original watercolors, giclee prints & cards of quirky objet d'art, from shoes to teapots to sushi, in antique handpainted frames to Vintage Inspired in September. The work shown in September is different that what was shown in August, and the will exhibition will take place in the back hallway of Vintage Inspired, with

Ginny Joyner began her career as an artist at a very early age, decorating her parent's furniture and walls with her lively crayon drawings. She was told that paper was a more acceptable surface on which to create pictures and has since been pleased to find that people

enjoy her work. Born in Adelaide Australia, she has lived in Japan and many states along the Eastern Seaboard, from Florida to Massachusetts, settling in Vermont in 1989.

Ginny graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design in 1986 with a BFA in Illustration. She has been a freelance illustrator for over 30 years with clients including Harper Collins Publishers, The W.S. Badger Co., Gardener's Supply, Sleeping Bear Press, Garlic Press and The Vermont Teddy Bear Co., among many others.

Her children's book, M is for Maple Syrup, A Vermont Alphabet, is part of the State-by-State series published by Sleeping Bear Press. She is a member of the Vermont Watercolor Society and teaches watercolor classes to beginners and advanced students through programs in Colchester and Hinesburg, VT as well as in her home studio at historic Fort Ethan Allen. She is represented by The Three Pears Gallery in Dorset, VT. She lives with her husband, folk painter Howard Riley, her very talented daughter, Lucie Adelaide and their cute but ferocious Scottie dog, Ringo.

"I have always been drawn to intricately patterned objects, natural and manmade, from butterfly wings, vibrant flowers and complicated seashells to European and Oriental porcelain, pastries, shoes and even the humble apple core."

More at www.GinnyJoynerStudio.com & <https://www.facebook.com/GinnyJoynerStudio>

Vintage Inspired Lifestyle Marketplace on Flynn Avenue in Burlington, VT and now with a new, second location on Pine Street, is a funky & accessible source of vintage goods for inspired lifestyles. It is a delight for shoppers wanting to combine a love for antiques, curious goods and art. Owner, Mary Heinrich Aloï has a truly inspired eye and her shop is a destination for in-the-know pickers, collectors, and art lovers. For more information and directions to the Marketplace, please visit www.vintageinspired.net

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