

Copy for '68 Virtual Art Show

<u>Artist</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Number</u>
Gerry Bell	Proust Questionnaire	Picture 001
	Twelve Hundred Dollars	Picture 002
	Perfect Start	Picture 003
	Adventure, Waiting	Picture 004
	Perfect Ending	Picture 005
	Atlantic Morning	Picture 006
	Seven Maidens and a Bear	Picture 007

Summary

I'm not a photographer, and certainly not an artist. Photography isn't even a hobby. But someone once told me I had a "gift for composition." Perhaps, perhaps not. Whatever the case, these pictures are among my favorites. A few explanatory notes:

- Photo 1 – Our "Who Are You?" survey is based in part on Vanity Fair Magazine's "Proust Questionnaire." Their favorite question is, "What is your definition of perfect happiness?" This is mine.
- Photo 2 – This island is my favorite place in the whole world. But I don't own it. My father could have purchased it in 1956 for \$1200. Even though I – at age 9 – begged him to do it, made all sorts of promises that I'd help ... he passed. Someone else bought it. Oh, what might have been ... it still hurts a little to look at it.
- Photo 3 – Despite the \$1200 heartbreak, there were a lot of perfect days on that lake in Canada. They always seemed to start like this ...
- Photo 4 ... and be filled with adventure: fishing, swimming, water-skiing, sailing, windsurfing ...
- Photo 5 ... and end like this: a Canadian sunset in a perfectly clear sky.
- Photo 6 – So I went instead to an island in the Atlantic Ocean. Red sky in the morning ... storm later that day. Never seen it fail.
- Photo 7 – If you drive instead of fly to your western ski trips, who knows what you'll see? I could imagine the seven maidens climbing the Tower, and the bear trying – unsuccessfully – to claw his way up after them. The Devil and I had it all to ourselves that winter day.