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Westwind Art Gallery Presents Wind, Waves & Wildlife of the West Coast: *Showcase for New Art by Mark Hobson*

Langley - October 15, 2007 - Westwind Art Gallery proudly announces that Mark Hobson will open a show of his new works at the gallery on Friday October 26 at 7pm - Wind, Waves, & Wildlife of the West coast.

Renowned Tofino artist Mark Hobson will present a show of new works at Westwind Art Gallery in Langley. The show will open at 7pm on Friday October 26.

Mark has painted for over twenty years. He is best known for his passionate portrayals of the B.C. coast, from pounding surf to sheltered cove; from rainforests to the underwater realm. The richness of the natural environment and its wildlife comes alive in his work. Self-taught as an artist, his paintings are accurate, sensitive depictions of the many moods of wilderness and rural landscapes.

Mark's work has won many awards in the U.S., Canada and Europe. He has participated in shows throughout North America and as far afield as Hong Kong and Singapore. In 2006, Mark was chosen as "Artist of the Year" by Ducks Unlimited Canada.

The Royal Canadian Mint has invited him to design three different sets of coins. The National Geographic Society has displayed his work in Washington D.C., Mark was selected as a member of the Society of Animal Artists in 1997, and as B.C.'s Wildlife Artist of the Year in 1996.

In 2003, and again, in 2005 Mark won the Pacific Salmon Foundation's stamp award. A strong advocate for preserving the wilderness he loves to paint, Mark has donated numerous paintings and much of his time to efforts to preserve natural environments.

To see more works by [Mark Hobson](#)

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Westwind Art Gallery is one of western Canada's largest and oldest galleries. The gallery offers a wide range of contemporary sculptures, paintings, prints and framing. Westwind Art Gallery is a 25 minute drive from downtown Vancouver and reached by heading south on the Trans-Canada highway, then east on #10 highway.

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Web site: <http://www.wwag.ca> Hours of operation 9:30 - 5:30 Tues-Sat, closed Sunday & Monday, Evenings by appointment.