

# Karen Trask

**Karen Trask, a Montreal native, was recently announced as the Casino New Brunswick artist-in-residence. The multidisciplinary artist is known for her unique use of paper and explorations of language. Working with Mount Allison University in Sackville, and the Université de Moncton, her role sees her expressing the value and importance of arts in the region.**



KAREN TRASK SUBMITTED

## **Who were your heroes growing up?**

My grandmother, books and especially fairy tales

## **What do you treasure most about New Brunswick?**

I have only been here for three months, but so far it is the variety of landscapes and that includes the smiles on people's faces

## **Which living New Brunswicker do you admire most and why?**

The quiet ones who share themselves through small acts of

kindness

**Which deceased New Brunswicker do you admire most and why?**

Anonymous was a woman.

**What is the toughest job you've done?**

My first job at 15 for a sod farmer was the hardest - I had to run around and put out my boss's cigarettes and give prices over the telephone which involved complicated mathematical calculations. Being a good human is a challenging full-time occupation! **If you could go back in time, when would you go?**

If I could even re-do yesterday, that would be amazing.

**Is there one particular place on Earth you enjoy the most?**

My bed

**How do you relax?**

I haven't learnt that yet.

**What is your biggest disappointment?**

That I can't be in two places at once.

**What trait do you admire most about yourself?**

I am still working on that!

**What trait do you despise most in others?**

I hate it when someone thinks they know all the answers.

**What bothers you most about New Brunswick?**

Ask me that next year.

**What is your favourite food?**

Fruit.

**What is your favourite New Brunswick community?** So far, I have only known two: Sackville and Moncton and I cannot show favouritism.

**What is the greatest misconception that people have about you?** That I have a lot of patience.

**What was your most embarrassing moment?** It would be too embarrassing to share.

**What was your happiest moment?** When I met Paul.

**When is it OK to tell a lie?** That is way too complicated for a one line answer.

**How would you like to be remembered?** With a smile and a laugh if I am lucky!

**Please share a secret with us.** I hate questionnaires.