

**News Release**

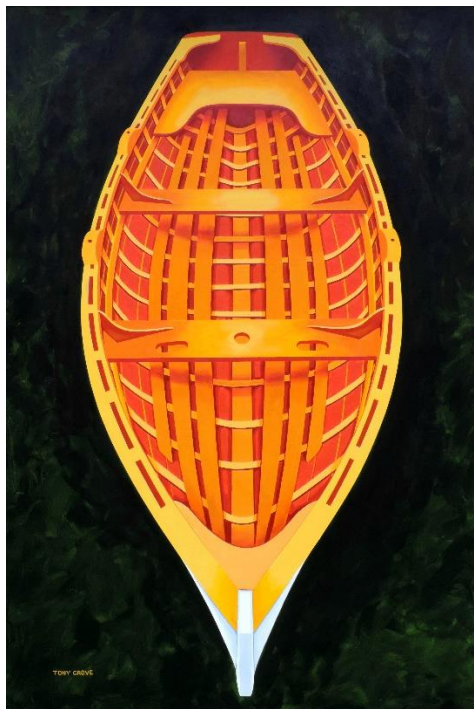
For Immediate Release  
16 May 2017

**Maritime Museum of BC Launches Art Show “A Boatbuilder’s Perspective” by Tony Grove**

This summer the Maritime Museum of BC is hosting the art show “A Boatbuilder’s Perspective” by Tony Grove. The show will run from May 22nd to September, 2017, during which time the artwork will be for sale.

“We are thrilled to be hosting another excellent marine artist from our West Coast this summer,” said David Leverton, the Executive Director of the Maritime Museum of BC. “It’s a great opportunity for us to not only promote Tony’s work, but to also further enhance the maritime culture in British Columbia.”

The Museum will be hosting a public launch event on June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 7-9pm. This event will include drinks and hors d'oeuvres and a talk from the artist. Everyone is encouraged to enjoy refreshments and a conversation with Tony. The event will be free to attend.



*The Sum of Many, by Tony Grove*



### **About the Artist**

Tony's fascination with wooden boats' historic value draws him into a careful study of their build and design. Many of the boat images he creates come from the inspiration of working on the vessels themselves, or of the historic role they played in the past.

He started his career as a shipwright, specializing in wooden boat restoration/construction and boat interior building. He has also worked as a commercial illustrator and artist, producing work for clients and publications. His passion for wood and art also led him into the field of custom furniture design and building. In addition to this work, he is also an educator, leading students by teaching traditional boatbuilding and ship cabinetry/joinery. To learn more about Tony and his work, please visit his website: <http://www.tonygrove.com/>.

-30-

For further information, please contact:

Brittany Vis

Associate Director, Maritime Museum of BC

[bvis@mmbc.bc.ca](mailto:bvis@mmbc.bc.ca), 250-385-4222 ext. 106