

## Artist CV – Alain Bédard

Professional Canadian Painter

Born 1958 in Quebec, QC, Canada

Lives and Work in Quebec, QC, Canada

### *Biography*

Alain Bédard was born in Quebec on October 4, 1958. He is a professional painter and member of the Regroupement des artistes en arts visuels du Québec (RAAV), as well as a cardholder of the International Association of Art (IAA). Known for his colourful, energetic, and figurative style, Bédard's works are found in major Canadian, American, and European collections.

In 1976, he began his formal training in graphic design at the Collège de Sainte-Foy. This was followed by illustration studies in New York in 1979, and a Bachelor's degree in Graphic Communications from Laval University, where he studied under renowned Canadian artist Claude A. Simard.

After gaining professional experience as a designer and illustrator in major Quebec advertising agencies, Bédard founded his own firm in 1985 and worked in advertising until 1992. Since then, he has devoted himself to painting full time and promoting Canadian art through his greeting card company, Les Cartes Pôle Nord.

In 2012, he resumed studies under Claude A. Simard, refining his artistic voice. For Bédard, painting is not only a profession but also a language of emotion and colour that communicates joy, vitality, and a zest for life.

### *Education*

- 1976–1979 – Collège de Sainte-Foy, Quebec – Graphic Design Techniques
- 1979 – Illustration Studies, New York
- 1980–1984 – Laval University, Quebec – Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Communications

### *Professional Memberships*

- Professional Member, Regroupement des artistes en arts visuels du Québec (RAAV)
- Professional Artist, International Association of Art (IAA) cardholder

### *Selected Solo Exhibitions*

- 2024 – *Alain Bédard: What I Live*, Vancouver Fine Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada

## *Selected Group Exhibitions*

- 2025 – *Brushstrokes of Love: February Group Exhibition of Local and World Masters*, Vancouver Fine Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- 2025 – *Alain Bédard*, Vancouver Fine Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada

## *Gallery Representation*

- Since 2024 to present – Vancouver Fine Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada