

UPCYCLING TOM PROJECT 2025

We are thrilled to welcome you to the **Upcycling TOM Project**, celebrating creativity, sustainability, and the timeless art of Tom Thomson. This exciting initiative between the Tom Thomson Art Gallery (TOM) and Owen Sound Waste Watchers (OSWW) invites local students to repurpose materials into stunning artworks inspired by Thomson's depictions of the changing seasons. We can't wait to see what your students create! Please ensure that your submission adheres to the guidelines outlined below and that the completed submission form is attached to your class artworks.

CLASS PROJECT

As a class, use recycled or repurposed materials to recreate one of Tom Thomson's famous paintings of the changing four seasons including *Spring Lake*, *Sunset Sky*, *Soft Maple in Autumn*, and *Northern Lights*. This process is called upcycling – recycling, reducing waste and repurposing of material through creative expression and innovation. Don't be afraid to think outside of the box! The sky is the limit!



ART SUBMISSION RULES & GUIDELINES

- Visit the QR code link to access more details on this project and see larger depictions of Thomson's paintings above.
- Each class will be provided with a canvas for creating their masterpiece. Please use this canvas as the base of your creations.
- Your class must only use fully recycled/reused materials or single-use plastics in your artwork. Examples of these materials includes bottle caps, egg cartons, cardboard, glass, paper, metal and tin cans, wood, clothing, denim, plastic utensils, plastic containers, lids, scrap fabric and textiles; artworks can include elements such as: painting, collage, sculpture, and drawing.
- You may not buy any materials for your artwork. It must be made from items found and recycled items around your home, school or outdoors.
- Please abide by common safety precautions when collecting materials for your artwork (wash items and wash hands thoroughly after collection and making your artwork).
- Each class will fill out a **Submission Form** to go along with their artwork submission.
- Each class will complete their artworks by **Monday March 3, 2025** as all artworks will be picked up on **Friday March 7, 2025** for installation. The artworks will be on display at the TOM for the month of April in connection with Earth Day on **Monday April 26, 2025**.



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Submission Form

Name of Teacher: _____

Email Address: _____

Grade Level: _____

Artwork Title: _____

Explanation of Artwork (max 200 words):

Please describe the materials used and how your creation relates to Tom Thomson's artwork and the seasonal theme chosen.

Artwork Photography Permission and Copyright Release

By submitting artwork to the Upcycling TOM Project, you grant permission for the Tom Thomson Art Gallery (TOM), the City of Owen Sound (COS), and Owen Sound Waste Watchers (OSWW) to photograph and use images of the artwork for promotional purposes, including but not limited to websites, printed materials, and social media. This release is given without expectation of compensation. I understand and agree to the terms of this release, and I acknowledge that I am granting permission for the unrestricted use of images.

Teacher's Name (Print): _____

Teacher's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please email a high-quality image of your completed artwork along with this submission form to Heather McLeese at hmcleese@tomthomson.org by **March 3, 2025**.

Important Dates:

Artwork Completion Deadline: Monday, March 3, 2025

Artwork Pickup Date: Friday, March 7, 2025

Display and Reception Dates: Display April 1-30, 2025 at the TOM, reception date TBD

Questions? Refer to QR link to access more details on this project. Thank you for participating in this year's **Upcycling TOM Project**. We look forward to showcasing your students' creativity and celebrating the beauty of nature through art. Please securely attach the submission form to the back of your class artwork using tape.

