



Michael Pape

Self-taught, Toronto-born artist Michael Pape finds inspiration for his paintings all around him. His powerful paintings allow viewers to experience sights and scenes not typically observed in everyday life.

In an effort to capture this realism and purity, Pape devotes months, and sometimes even more than a year, to complete his paintings. Pape is committed to creating fine art paintings, finished in acrylic or a combination of mediums that will touch and enrich the lives of viewers.

Pape's painting *Ghost of a Chance* was selected to join Ducks Unlimited Canada's 2009 National Art Portfolio. This limited edition series is available only through DUC fundraising initiatives. The money raised through this program supports DUC's on-the-ground wetland conservation work, scientific research and education programs.



The Inspiration for *Ghost of a Chance*

"Native to the central Asian mountains, the majestic and ghostly snow leopard is a rare sight," says Pape. "Without more education and stricter laws to protect them, they only have a 'ghost of a chance' to survive."

Additional work by Michael Pape

If you're inspired by Michael Pape's realistic interpretation of wildlife art, consider exploring his paintings Beautiful Dreamer, Out of the Mist and Through the Storm. These pieces were recognized by Ducks Unlimited Canada in previous National Art Portfolios.



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