



### **Artist Statement**

Nature is an awesome display of God's creation. I have had the opportunity to see things that most people never get to see in person. Having dived in many locations in the world, I have become fascinated with the creatures of the deep, especially sharks. I have witnessed their majesty and grace close up without any of the stigma that society wrongly places on them. When a guest in their environment, it is an awesome thing to behold, and they need to be protected. Trees and sunsets are also special to me, having worked with wood for many years and spent much time on dive boats. In my art, I seek to bring awareness to these aspects of Nature I have witnessed. My style is unique, blending flat work with three-dimensional techniques. Carving creatures with exotic woods from distant lands brings much enjoyment, as does creating interesting presentations of the other subjects

### **Artist Biography**

Bill Rademaker is a Winnipeg-born artist and scuba diver. He started artwork in high school, but placed it on hold for many years, giving way to family and career. He has revived his art, choosing to blend his talents with his experiences of over 300 dives in 13 countries. His work concentrates on acrylic painting and wood carving. He often blends the two in new designs and techniques.