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Spring, 2026 (detail) Acrylic marker on wood board	<i>Noella Murphy</i>	cover

Cover Artwork: Featured Artist

Noella Murphy (she/they) is a mad and disabled visual artist, actor, costume designer, and all-around clown from Antigonish, Nova Scotia. Noella holds a BFA from NSCAD University and is an alum of Kinsale's Classical and Physical Theatre Program (Ireland). Being multi-disciplined is a very important part of Noella's art practice and mixes visual arts with performance, puppetry and clowning. Noella's play "Flower Bed" entwined these practices and she received the April Hubbard Accessibility Merritt Award this March.

Visually, Noella explores botanical drawing, painting and printmaking playing with size, colour and form. Noella's work has been shown around Nova Scotia, including a mural at the Antigonish Art's house, and will be featured in a new book of NS wildlife. She has designed several posters for Festival Antigonish and is a first-place recipient of the Polish-Canadian Society of N.S. Heritage Art prize.

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