ASF’s 60th Anniversary Print
“Restigouche Evening”
by Bruno Bobak

World famous Canadian artist contributes to our cause.

He was young then, barely out of his teens, when he volunteered to fight overseas in the Second World War. A fresh art school graduate—he studied under Arthur Lismer and Gordon Webber—and already with a budding reputation. Canadian Army command wasn’t sure what to do with Bruno Bobak. They must have thought him “a little too fragile to fight” as Bobak describes himself. In 1944, Bobak was appointed the youngest War Artist in the Canadian Army and posted with the 4th Canadian Armoured Division, where he met his wife to be, Molly Lamb, who was also an official War Artist.

A life in art brought Bruno to the West Coast where he taught at the Vancouver School of Art and later as the painter in residence at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton where he and Molly live today. Bobak is arguably Canada’s best known living painter. His works can be found in the permanent collections of many Canadian and international collections.

His latest work, Restigouche Evening, was painted on a recent trip to that great salmon river. Bobak wasn’t there just to paint, however. Since 1988, when he caught a grilse on the Northwest Miramichi—“I was hooked,” he says—he has been a keen salmon angler. He didn’t have much luck on this last trip, but he did take a grilse on the Northwest Miramichi earlier in the summer... on a Blue Smurf. This makes it all the easier to understand why a world famous artist wants to contribute to conserving *Salmos salar* (see below).

—MARTIN SILVERSTONE

The Atlantic Salmon Federation is pleased to introduce the new, limited-edition print “Restigouche Evening” by Bruno Bobak, available in an offering of only 200 signed and numbered prints. The 22” x 28” watercolor original will be sold at the upcoming 2009 ASF New York Dinner on November 11. “Restigouche Evening” is available at a cost of $199 plus tax and shipping. To ensure you get your copy of the print call 1-800-565-5666 or order online at www.asf.ca.