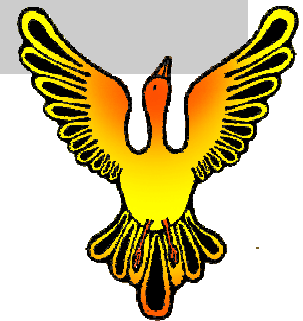


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Mosha Arnatsiaq

My name is Mosha Arnatsiaq and I am from Igloolik Nunavut. I was born in Iqaluit on August 13, 1976. I have a daughter named Karen Ittukusuk and my girlfriend is Laura Ivalu. When I was in school I got interested in art during art classes with Wendy Bill. We did some Lino cuttings and printed them with ink and also some motion drawings. There was a man playing drum and he danced along, this is when I really got into art. At the age of 10-14 I helped my father [Maurice Arnatsiaq] by sanding his ivory carving which was a small bird. My father did the carvings and I would do the sanding.

There are a lot of images I like, but my favorite is the drum dance image. The reason why I like drum dance is because during special occasions we see drum dances. I like making art because it helps my family and me financially. I learn more things when I'm working on an object and making it into artwork. I get to draw and make my own work the way I want it to be.



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