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"CF-105 AVRO ARROW"

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JAN ZURAKOWSKI

The Avro "Arrow" was an aircraft known to almost all Canadians to some degree and certainly well known to all airplane buffs around the world. Like most things in life, the more you learn about a subject the more you realize you don't know, and researching the "Arrow" for this painting was no exception. An illustrator must research his subject well before putting paint to canvas, especially with mechanical subject matter; if not, the little technical mistakes will haunt him forever. For example: aircraft #203 was the only aircraft to support the Canadian ensign on its vertical fin. Aircraft #203 was also the last aircraft test flown by Mr. Zurakowski prior to his

retirement. Also, this is a scene that technically never took place because only one "Arrow" could be airborne at a time due to the fact that it was only possible to have one aircraft on telemetry at a time. So I decided to exercise a little artistic license and add a second "Arrow" in the lower portion of the painting. This helps give a sense of depth, and illustrates her remarkable power in a tight turn and in a climb. Besides, a sky with more than one "Arrow" in it was a pleasing thought.

Upon completion of this painting I have gained a new respect for this aircraft and the people who made the "Arrow" possible.

ABOUT THE ARTIST STEPHEN C. SNIDER AOCA

Stephen was born in Kingston and raised in Trenton, where his aviation interests began. He studied Fine Arts at the University of Ottawa and later transferred to the Ontario College of Art in Toronto. There he studied for four years in the Communication & Design dept., graduated, and now is a freelance illustrator in Toronto, working for advertising agencies, private commissions as well as numerous aviation clients. He has become well known with the Canadian Armed Forces with his NATO coverage in West Germany with the Army and our CF-18's in Baden-Soellingen.





ABOUT THE PILOT JAN ZURAKOWSKI

'Zura' was born in Russia, fled to Poland when he was 7. He joined the Polish Air Force in 1935, escaped to England in '39 where he flew with the RAF in the 'Battle of Britain'. He studied at the "Empire Test Pilot School" at Boscombe Downs, graduated, then joined Gloster Aircraft Co. in 1947. He then came to Canada in '52 to A.V. Roe where he test flew the CF-100 and later became the Chief Development Test Pilot on the "Arrow".

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