Janis moved to York Harbour Newfoundland from Ontario where she worked for many years as a dietitian and manager of food services in a large residential facility. In addition, Janis enjoyed working with her husband Roy and their two children Kiah and Jessica on their small family farm, where creative activities such as quilting, spinning, sewing and weaving were part of everyday life.

In 2013 Janis, Roy and their business partner Blake purchased a former convenience store in York Harbour NL where they opened a Gallery/Gift shop called “The Roost” in May 2014. In addition to being a place to showcase Janis' work, the shop features the work of more than 30 Newfoundland artists. Future plans for property include the addition of demonstration studios and Cafe/pizzeria.

**Fun Fact:** My husband who is a “real” Newfoundlander” (born before confederation) brought me to Newfoundland on our honeymoon in 1968. It was love at first sight and I vowed to live here one day, a dream that finally came true in 2013!