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Artist's Statement Spirit Horses Running Over Rough Terrain

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NATIVE ARTIST

This painting, called *Spirit Horses Running Over Rough Terrain*, was painted with simplicity and joy in mind. To Nancy, the horses running free, guided by the four sacred directions, signify the spirit running free, even when the journey is rough.

The painting won the first prize in the 2009 Peace Hills competition.