

“Art reflects my surroundings, culture, and thoughts. It is an adventure of discovery that takes me on a journey of exposure using color, texture and subject. Art allows me to express feeling, including one stimulated by living in a new culture.

"I started drawing cartoons when I was in elementary school and my art progressed from tracing pictures to drawing them freehand. My parents and friends encouraged me to continue with my art and in high school I took more classes in various mediums. The effect of my high school art instructor's critique of my work challenged me to work harder to develop my drawing skills. My journey led me to take drawing classes with Bill Stevens at the Hudgens Center for Art and Learning in Gwinnett County, Ga.

"On a visit to Kudzu Art Zone in Norcross, Ga., to view their Open Art Exhibition, I meet David Raderstorf, director of Kudzu Art Zone, an organization of volunteer artists whose focus is the support and advancement of local art and artists. After I finally had an opportunity to show him my portfolio he accepted me as a student and has been my mentor and painting instructor for over eight years now.

"In the past years, I applied to and was accepted into 25 juried exhibitions in GA, including the Kudzu Open Exhibit and the Georgia Watercolor Society Member Exhibition. In February 2018 I was honored to receive an invitation from the Mexican Consulate to show a solo exhibition.”

Highlights of my artistic journey:

- . Snellville City Hall solo exhibition
- . District Government Office In Guanajuato, Mexico
- . Cherry Blossom Festival Macon, GA
- . SCAA 31 National Juried Exhibition
- . Creative Arts Guild Dalton, GA solo exhibition
- . Georgia National Fair Perry, GA - First, Third place amateur award
- . GWS Member Exhibition