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Artist Statement

For me, the creative process is an emotional, spontaneous, and multidimensional journey. It has complexities and obstacles, triumphs and surprises. Inspiration for my work comes from color, geometry, composition, texture, and the painting process itself. Joyous energy and grounding come from the technique itself, the repeated, methodical, or haphazard application of materials by brushes, fingers, palette knives, rags, and scrapers of all shapes and sizes.

My most recent work has evolved from a long foundation in contemporary landscapes to the abstract. Abstracts are addictive. Their beginning and ending are spontaneous, unpredictable, and liberating. They engage the viewer and create a visual dialog to interpret, question, or simply enjoy. The diversity of those perceptions is endless.

“Relationships unfold as my stories on canvas are shared with others in their homes, workplaces, and most special places. Those relationships create a dialog, a sense of connection that brings emotion, reflection, pause, or perhaps a shared understanding. It is a joyous experience to share my story and journey with each piece of art and to spark those connections with others.”