

Artist-Instructor Bio:

A self-taught artist from SW Florida, I have been formally trained in clay arts including wheel throwing, hand building, and sculpture. Over the years, my art experience has expanded to include fused glass, jewelry, and painting. My degrees are in business, and I recently resigned from 25 years of healthcare leadership to focus on art and healthcare consulting for long-term care providers.

I use mixed-media techniques to create abstract art on canvas, wood panels, tiles, glass, and functional art pieces. Mediums include acrylic paint, acrylic ink, acrylic skins, alcohol ink, resin, and texture gels. Methods encompass fluid art styles, brushwork, and the use of palette knives and tools for texture. My inspiration comes from nature, emotions, or an emotion I want the viewer to feel when looking at the art. My new series focuses on tactile art for public and healthcare spaces so the viewer can both see and touch the art safely. Combining my expertise in dementia education with art has provided unique insight into how art is seen and appreciated by the viewer.



I exhibit regularly in the Florida art festival circuit and won the Juror's Choice award at the Rookery Bay Natural Selections painting exhibit in November 2021 for a tactile beach piece created with resin.

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