

Sherri D. Thies

In a high school art class I saw Monet's "Poppy Field" and fell in love. I had always made room in my schedule for art classes, but that was the moment that sparked my interest in the History of Art. I admire Impressionism and the simplification of form. "Keep it loose and let the paint paint itself" is always on my mind. Color is meant to SING OUT LOUD.

I paint in both watercolor and acrylic. I like the challenge of en Plein Aire and try to practice mindfulness, paying attention to the surprises and beauty in my life. Photography is my tool to capture that moment in time that I am trying to invite the viewer into. Getting lost in the act of painting keeps me motivated. I appreciate my supporters and those who value original art.

Sherri was born in Seattle, Washington and moved to Spokane as a young adult. Her education includes Spokane Falls Community College 1988 with a degree in Graphic Design, Eastern Washington University where she received a BA in Studio Art and Art Education as well as a Master's degree in Education. She is currently the art teacher at Joel E. Ferris High School, Spokane, WA where she began teaching in 1992. The courses she teaches include Painting, Drawing, Ceramics and AP Design. She is married to Ron and together have three boys; two granddaughters and four grandsons. She mostly paints in watercolor; sometimes in acrylic; and likes to work in clay. She's a signature member of Spokane Watercolor Society. You can see her work online at spokanewatercolorsociety.com and sherrithart wixsite.com/sherrithiesart