



A little bit about Betsy Edwards...

"Painting has been a part of my personal landscape since as far back as I remember. I started painting alongside my mother as I sat for her while she painted my portraits. It is my mom and her talents that have guided me to paint today.

As my mother developed Alzheimer's, painting together became a way of helping her stay connected to the present. After she lost the battle to Alzheimer's, I immediately enrolled in an art class at Midwestern State University as a tribute to her life and to keep her memory alive in my mind. A passion began to ignite in me. That first art class was like a spark that has turned into a wildfire.

I have a thirst for instruction. I love trying new techniques yet I want to be able to translate it into my own version. I thrive on painting in a loose and free way and yet still yearn to paint the "right way". Some of my paintings are meant to be artistically correct and others are meant to be artistically appealing. I particularly enjoy giving an abstract feel to a painting so that each individual interprets it in a way that gives them pleasure. I lose all sense of time when I am painting. The more I paint, the more I want to paint. Seeing a painting evolve and become complete energizes me on to create again."

Betsy now displays her art in a number of galleries around the country and has had solo exhibits in the Bellaford Gallery in Graham. She currently has work at The Good Art Co in Fredricksburg. You can see more of Betsy's art at

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