



*I* have been having a love affair with art! What joy I get from putting a paint brush to canvas or going to a gallery or museum to look at creations by others. I just love to paint!

Once a good friend asked me, “when do you call yourself an artist”? After much thought, I answered “when you are creating”.

*I* have been creating since I was a child and although I went to college and majored in English Literature, I never took an art course. When my children were almost grown, I went to a local community college and graduated on the Dean’s List with an Associate’s Degree in Fine Art. And my love affair continued.



*I* have been a member of many art associations and have been vice president and Co-President of the Villages Art League. I am active in the Visual Art Association, the plein air group, the figure drawing group, and the Central Florida Pastel Society. In the summers I paint with the York Art Association and do life drawing with the Barn Gallery in Ogunquit and the Kittery Art Association, all on the beautiful

coast of Maine. These beautiful places are inspirational to my art work. Other inspirational places have been on my recent travels abroad.



*M*y paintings hang in private collections in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire and Florida. I both sell my work and give it to my friends and family. I so enjoy the delight people have when they hang my work on their

walls.

*I* learn so much when I take classes both here in The Villages and at my summer home in York, Maine. I paint in acrylics, oils and pastels. Most recently, I have taken classes



from Roger Bansemer and Jane Slivka at the Lifelong Learning College and Michael Chesley Johnson and DeWitt Hardy in Maine. I feel I am never too old to learn. I’m familiar with most traditional mediums but I find the spontaneity and vivid colors with these three mediums, keeps my love affair alive.



*I* thank my wonderful husband for taking an interest in my artwork and escorting me happily to museums, galleries, openings and art venues of

every kind. He too loves to learn and encourages me to keep my love of art alive.