

Artists of the Month—Annie Dotzauer & Rhonda Waters



Annie Dotzauer and Rhonda Waters have very different styles but both seem to make it come altogether when it comes to producing AnnaRhonda artwork. Both Annie and Rhonda were professionally trained in art as both of them have art degrees. However they came to this artistic venture from two very different paths.



Born in Petoskey, Michigan, Rhonda was born to be an artist, as both of her parents were artists. She learned welding at Stephen's College in Columbia, MO. while getting her fine arts degree. Rhonda has been a professional artist her whole life. She started her career working with her dad making art for hotels. She has been a metal artist for over 50 years. As you can tell art has always been a part of her life.

Born in northern Ohio, she lived on a farm until she went to Siena Heights College in Adrian, MI. to earn her fine arts degree in visual arts and art history. Annie was a former art teacher and had taught art as well as various other subjects during her professional career. She worked with all levels from kindergarten, to post graduate level. She earned two masters and 45 semester hours towards her doctorate. She had been an educator all her life teaching art and educational leadership.

After moving to The Villages she met Rhonda three years ago and wanted to work on a combined piece. That was all it took. Since that time Annie and Rhonda have completed more than 100 pieces of combined work. Every Tuesday it is a studio day for the AnnaRhonda designs. Both Rhonda and Annie enjoy creating with each other as they compliment each other's style of artwork. Both artists feel that they are creating art that no-one else is doing in The Villages. Each of the two artists still do independent artwork but always make time to collaborate. They each feel that it is a great team effort.

