

Valerie Grischy
Artist Biography

When people ask me what motivated me to become an artist, I say, "Costco had a sale on easels". Until then, I had been a Chiropractor, triathlete and musician among, other things.

I did not know that I would progress so quickly to selling my art or even that I ever would. I could draw simple drawings as a child and did fairly well. I never really worked with color or depth. I think that my interest in art made me really look at the details of what the master artists did and maybe I learned by osmosis. However my meager beginnings, I was able to take my observations and apply them with my pastels.

I have won many awards since I entered a contest in my first year of painting. I was very proud of my first entry in the San Diego County fair, winning a third place in the open class category. Since then, I have gone on to win awards every year.

I have been a member of the Allied Artists Association of San Diego where I was the Artist's Coordinator for La Jolla Community Center and the past President. I also joined Sargent Art Group, Foothills Art Association, the San Diego Museum of Art Artists Guild, Spanish Village Art Center in Balboa Park and 2Create Gallery in Ramona.

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