## **ARTIST'S BIO**



"The wildlife and landscapes found in nature inspire my paintings. Using the transparency of watercolors and the richness of oils and pastels adds a new meaning and dimension to the world around me."

Scenes from our travels to places near and far have been the subjects for my recent paintings.

Prior to studying privately with Jeanne Down, Chet Collom and Rosa Odow, Judy studied Art at Cal State University, Northridge while earning her Masters Degree in Education. During that time, she worked with the Artist-in-Residence program at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. Judy's graduate school project, "Art Programs for Hospitalized Children" was based on that experience which was published in Pediatric Mental Health, 1987, Vol. 6, No. 3.

As an Assistant Principal for the Los Angeles Unified School District, Judy directed the Art Program at three of her schools. For several years, she was the school chairperson for the Very Special Arts Festival held annually at the Music Center. As a Program Specialist and currently as an Assistant Principal, she has continued to stress the importance of Arts Education by teaching art workshops for parents, teachers and students. She was a conference presenter on the value of Art for young children at the California Association for the Education of Young Children in Fresno and for the LAUSD Special Education Conference in Los Angeles. She received the Educator of the Year Award in 2007 from Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

She plans to teach children's art classes at local elementary schools when she retires. Currently, her granddaughters and their friends have the opportunity to explore the world of art whenever they visit their grandmother.

Judy is a member of the Valley Artists Guild, the San Fernando Valley Art Club, Valley Watercolor Society, Public Arts Initiative, Museum of the SFV, SFV Arts Council & Chatsworth Fine Arts Council. She has won numerous awards in many juried shows

including two Best of Shows. Judy's paintings can be found in many private collections in the United States, Japan, China and Europe.

## **STUDIO**

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