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I am a painter living and working in Littleton, Colorado. I am originally from the east coast and grew up, lived and worked in a variety of places including Massachusetts, Vermont, Washington, D.C., Maryland and Northern Virginia. I attended the Maryland Institute of Art in 1988 and graduated from the San Francisco Art Institute in 1992. After graduating from school I spent approximately nine years employed at various non-profits in a number of capacities. Notable accomplishments included serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer with peace Corps Nigeria, as a volunteer for AmeriCorps*VISTA and vice president of a tenant's association in Washington DC. I am also proud to have worked with wonderful non-profit organizations including the Whitman-Walker Clinic, the Capital Area Community Foodbank and The Nature Conservancy in various capacities but primarily as a graphic designer.

In 2001 I returned to graduate school at the Maryland Institute College of Art and studied at the Hoffberger School of Painting under program director Grace Hartigan. She and critic in residence Dominique Nahas as well as the rolling hunt country hills of rural Maryland influenced and greatly changed the nature of my work. I went into the program as a figurative contemporary surrealist painter and matured into an expressive landscape painter. I earned my MFA in painting in 2003.

In 2010 I and my family moved to the Denver area where I attended the Teachers Institute of La Academia through the University of Denver and gained my professional teaching license with an endorsement in Special Education and K-12 Art.

I continue to paint and exhibit my work at local and regional galleries. In addition to painting and collaborating with other artists, I enjoy hiking with my husband, our child and our two dogs, camping, traveling and horseback riding in addition to other more domestic endeavors such as cooking, gardening and napping.