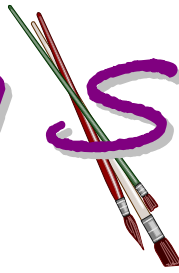




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Follow-up on October's Assignment

Here's what happened when one of my Tuesday students decided to make her little 2"x 3" paintings into a much larger painting.

She began by painting five of the little 2"x 3" paintings on one half sheet of paper. Her goal was to show scenes from the beautiful Smoky Mountains which are in our area. To that she had a vision of the Cherokee Indians who had first settled these mountains. Now it was up to her sense of composition, color and following through with content.

This painting titled "Eagle Dance" was conceived of and painted by Jo Marie Brotherton

who is an accomplished watercolor painter. She has studied watercolor with me for the past five years and has taken workshops in watercolor from other well-known teachers in this part of the country. A lot of planning goes into her paintings and she takes her time and does them well. Also by Jo Marie is her painting of rhododendrons in bloom in the Smokies. Good work Jo!

Jo Marie is also an accomplished glass artist. Her pieces have been on exhibit in several art galleries in this area and in the Smoky Mountains as well. She is gifted in this field and has invited my classes to her studio to learn and watch her make beads and marbles incorporating many different colors.

Upcoming Events

The Wonderful World of Watercolor class show is scheduled for May of 2016. It will be open at the Fountain City Art Center for this show and the Fountain City Art Guild will also be showing in the main gallery. Many of our local artists will display their work and it will be a worthwhile exhibit for our audience. The dates are May 20-June 16.

