

Franca (Piccoli) Smith

Franca's formal art education includes a post-secondary Special Art Diploma from H.B Beal in London. She has attended many workshops and strives to improve as an artist (and Instructor) by continuing to explore a variety of styles, mediums and subject matter.



She spent several years focusing on pottery as a student and artisan. Perhaps it is her experience with this three-dimensional medium that gives her painting such depth.

Franca's knowledge and understanding of art materials is enhanced by her experience working at an art store, Loomis and Toles.

Franca enjoys painting with watercolours and acrylics. Her passionate depiction of her subjects (portraits, wildlife, landscapes and flowers) evokes emotional responses from her audience. This is due to her ability to capture an expression or mood and makes viewing her work a rich experience.

Franca is married with two children. Her family is very important to her and sometimes find themselves somewhere in her paintings.

Franca is a member of the Lambeth Art Association and the Brush and Palette Club and participates in their annual art exhibits each spring.