



# IMAGINE ART ZINE

SPRING 2021



# Avatar

Acrylic on Paper

11" x 15"

# Angela Huston

Angela Huston's art focuses on the emotional aspects of her life. As a result, she feels one with nature, the world, and God. An Austin native, she has many friends in Austin's vibrant music and art's scene. Angela considers herself to be a self-taught artist. Her influences include Van Gogh and the Spanish artist and surrealist, Remedios Varo. Like much of Angela's work, Varo portrays images of isolation and hope. Angela's mediums include clay, oil and chalk pastels. to acrylic paint.



# Bats Triptych

Photographic Print on Paper

11" x 14"

# David Carrales

David Carrales received a camera at age 17 and thought it was the worst Christmas gift ever. Little did he know where the camera would take him as a visual artist in the pursuit of beauty. He is captivated by a wide range of subjects...artists, musicians, boxers, flora, fauna, and landscapes, in nature or on the streets. His current photo documentary project is “Hey There, Rollergirl!” featuring full-length portraits of the Texas Rollergirls. He has exhibited at the East Austin Studio Tour since 2016. As artist-in-residence at Imagine Art, he serves on the exhibits and inventory team.



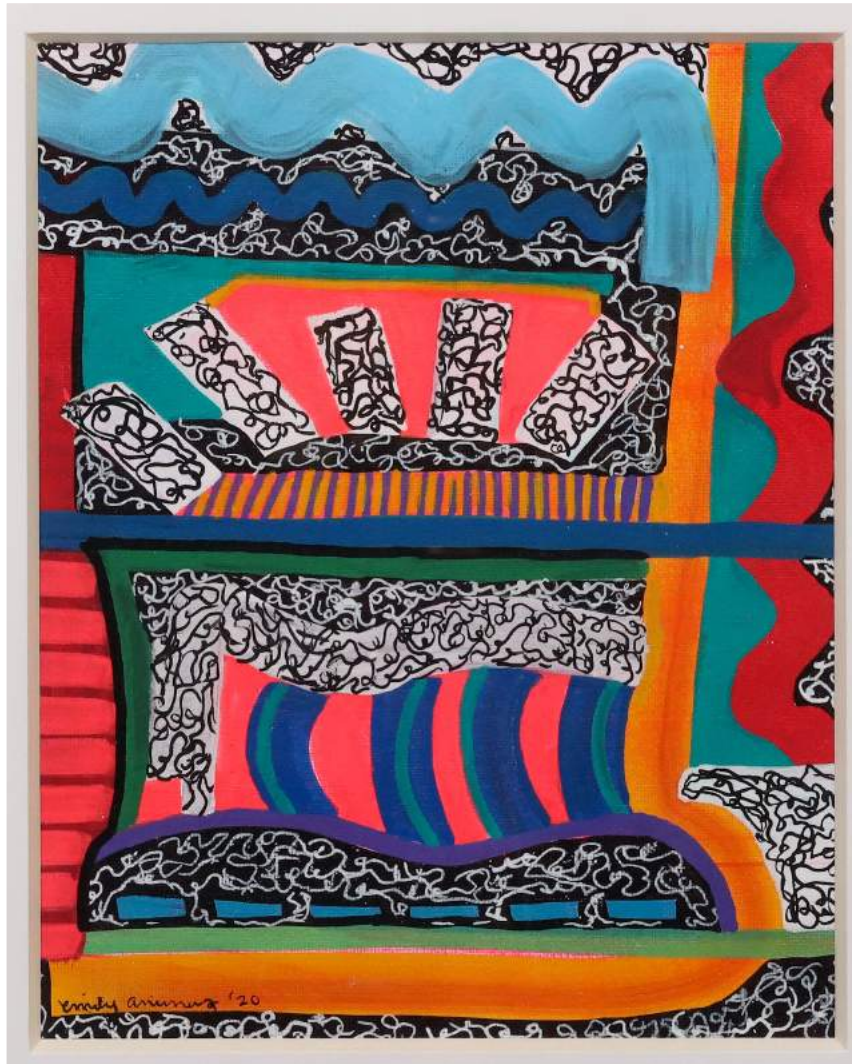
# Still Life

Acrylic on Paper

9" x 12"

# Ebony Young

From landscapes, human figures, and animals to abstracts, foods, and practice studies—Ebony Young paints and draws it all. Most of her work features bold lines and dark accents. The intricate patterns and impeccable perspective of her landscapes add to the depth, texture and tension of her varied subject matters: prairie land, tundra, river and surf scenes. Ebony is gifted in realism and depicts whatever she sees with amazing accuracy. Born in Holland in 1985, Ebony was diagnosed with autism three years later. By age 4, she was drawing Looney Tunes cartoon characters. At Pflugerville High School she became known for her artwork, as well as her involvement with Special Olympics. Ebony became a part of the Imagine Art community in 2007.



# Ordered Chaos

Acrylic, Resin-Coated on Canvas Board

8" x 10"



# Emily Aniunas

Artist Emily Aniunas focuses on the realness, rawness, and vulnerability of the human condition. Through her use of exaggeration, vivid colors, shapes and linework, she is able to capture the essence of emotions and the experiences of everyday life. Emily is a mixed media artist specializing in collage art and 3D work. As an AmeriCorps Artist in Residence at Imagine Art, Emily inspires young artists. Her work can be seen online on her Instagram account @emilyaniunas, as well as on her Etsy shop @emilyaniart.



# Love

Acrylic on Canvas Board

8" x 10"

# Erin Rosales

Mostly self-taught, Erin Rosales is a native Austinite who identifies as a painter, ceramist, and diamond kit artist. She specializes in pet portraits done in acrylic, from parrots to pooches, using realistic color palettes. Recently, Erin developed a strong interest in ceramics, striving to learn shape, form, and coloring. She has also learned to be quite adept at diamond art kits, showing great patience and skill in completing complicated patterns and colors. She has been working on joining diamond art with ceramic jewelry making, as she continues to better herself as a community artist.



# Trees

Acrylic on Paper

9" x 12"

# Gabby Duran

Gabby Duran enjoys focusing on still-life, landscapes, animals, and buildings. Gabby has a distinct abstract realistic style and is especially original in her development of animal characters. She began painting in acrylics at age 23. An admirer of Vincent Van Gogh, she spends much effort emulating his style. After subjects are drawn, she then uses acrylics and layers her paints with thick brush strokes and bright colors until the whole canvas or page is filled with dotted and dashed lines. Gabby is also a newly published author with her book, *Autism Doesn't Stop Me*.

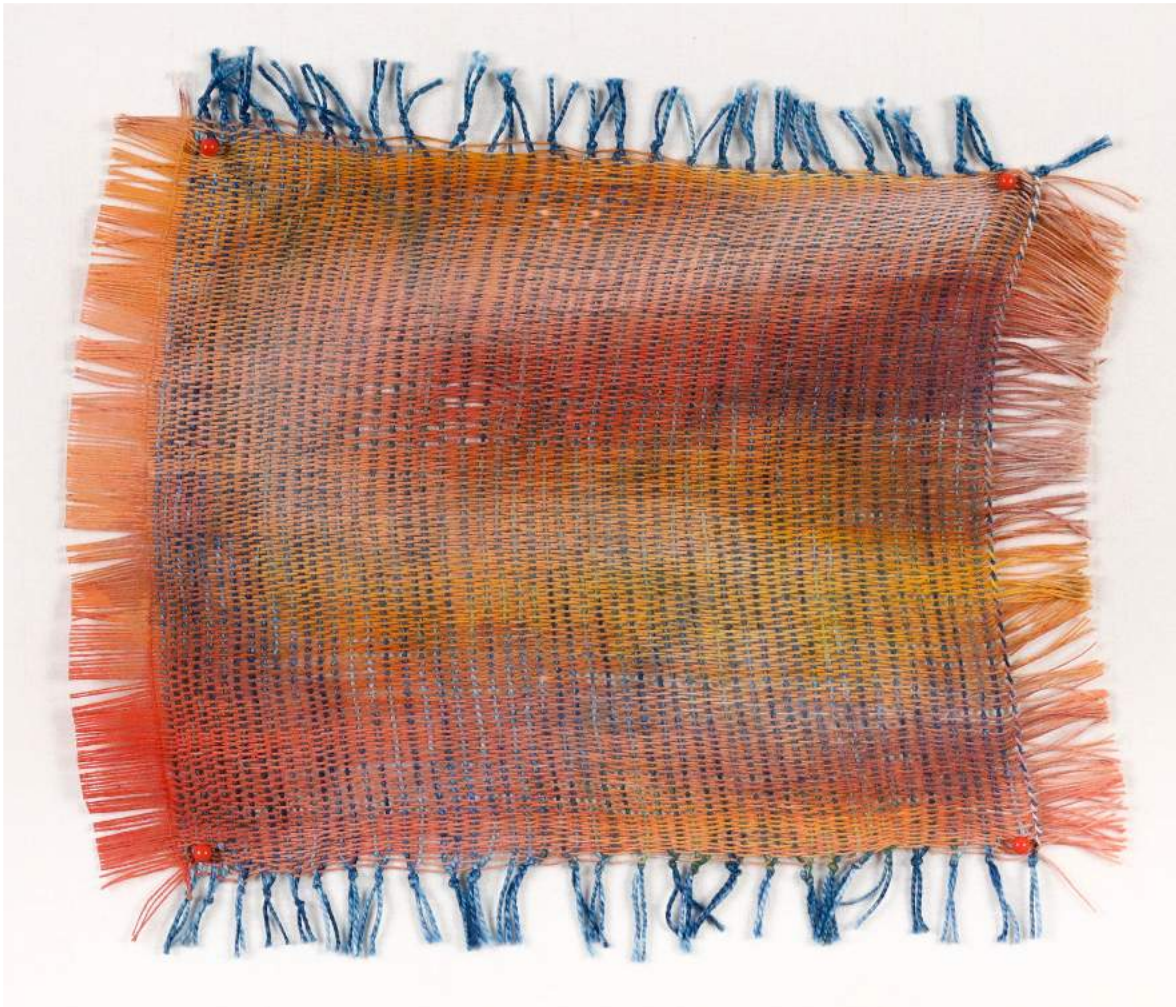


## **Lighthouse by the Sea**

Mixed Media on Canvas Board  
12" x 16"

# Hannah Lemerise

Hannah Lemerise's artwork emphasizes linear patterns, simple shapes, and negative space to create simplistic order. Hannah Lemerise is a mixed media collage artist; her influences include nature, outer space, weather, tidal waves, and the ocean. She also takes inspiration from her love of old-time movies and TV shows. Her sources of influence and inspiration, combined with paints, pastels, watercolor, and paper cutouts, allow Hannah to create collage art pieces that are minimal and otherworldly.



# In the blue house

Mixed Media on Cotton Thread Weaving  
10" x 11"



# Hannah Lynch

Hannah Lynch is a weaver, natural dyer, painter, and illustrator from Boston. Her weavings are influenced by painting and tie-dye, using Ikat techniques, and painting colorful washes directly on her warps. Hannah graduated from Emmanuel College in May 2019 with a degree in Fine Arts and Art History, with textiles courses from Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Penland School of Craft. A new resident of Austin, TX, she serves as an AmeriCorps Artist-in-Residence at Imagine Art. Hannah is an avid baker and enjoys making themed dinners with her roommates. Hannah is an avid baker and enjoys creating themed dinners with her roommates. She was inspired by their meals together to start a zine that catalogs everything, from garbage salads to biscuits and gravy, and even tapas spreads.



# Red Hair

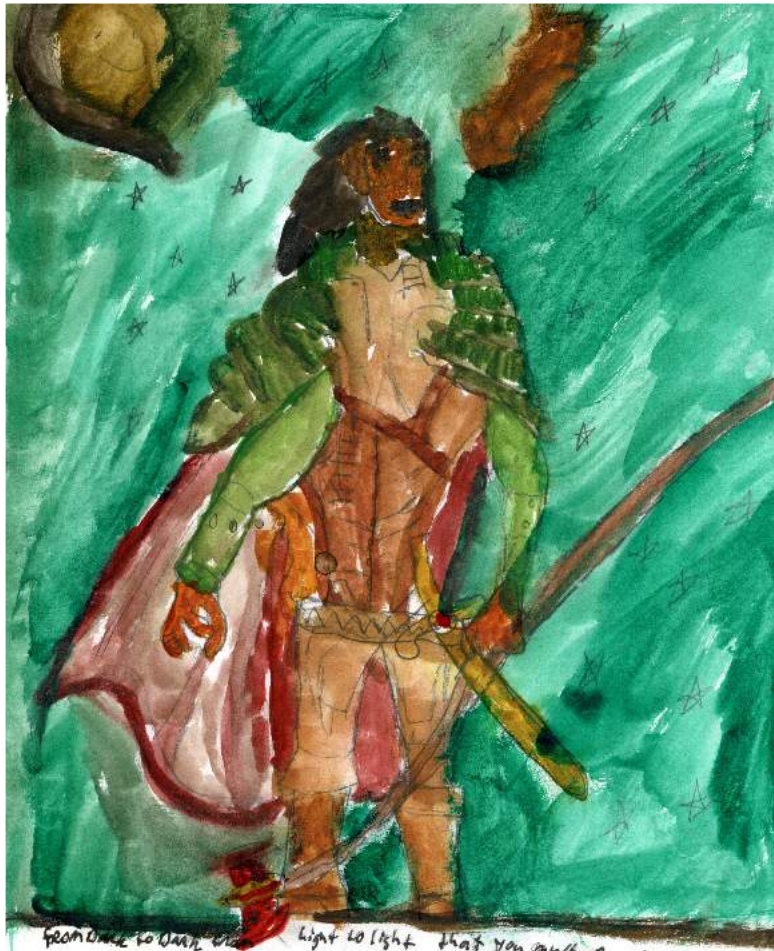
Marker/Colored Pencil on Paper

9" x 12"

# John Molina

*“Do your own thing and do it well.  
Everything else is okay.”*

As an artist, John Molina follows his instincts to produce prolific amounts of his signature abstract art. Starting with basic designs, usually circles, John contrasts against other shapes and colors. Using circles, spirals, scratches and negative space to reveal the undercurrents of how his artistic mind works. He primarily works with acrylics and mixed-media on canvas or paper, usually 8x10. John has made a name for himself around the Imagine Art community both for his commitment to abstract art and by the sheer number of pieces he produces on a daily basis. He continually demonstrates his stylistic mastery.



from dark to dark the light to light that you must be strong to win a  
fight as the magic of the light shall light vanquished  
the dark with the magic of the light that is how  
we make this world

# Wizard of Light

Watercolor on Paper

9" x 12"

# Justin Maynard

*“Art is an inspiration of imagination and life.”*

Talented artist and storyteller Justin Maynard creates detailed fantasy-style drawings influenced by Western and Eastern comic books. He draws inspiration from his family, movies, games, and comic writers like Stan Lee. With detailed storylines and multifaceted characters, Justin’s graphics express his strong imagination. A self-taught artist, he creates line drawings with pencil and then refines his work with pen. Vivid watercolor and colored pencil hues bring a dynamic feeling to Justin’s images of dragons and superheroes. The preparation and time Justin puts into each piece reaffirms his care and love for the craft.



## **Springtime in the Attic**

Cotton on Acrylic and cotton yarn

8" x 10"

# Justine Nolt

Justine Nolt is an art experimenter with an eye for color and a passion for making the mundane beautiful. Her largest ongoing project features colorful yarn affixed to custom “canvases”, made by her dad, with unique wood scraps and metalworking. More recently, she designed embroidered fabric and paper collages inspired by Matisse. Due to Justine’s bright and playful nature, her pieces work well as child’s bedroom decor, a pop of color in the office, or even a conversation starter in the living room. When her fingers aren’t covered in glue and yarn fuzzies, Justine enjoys crocheting hats, a weekly pottery session, and making Shrinky Dink earrings.



## **Turtle and Bear by the Magic River**

Mixed Media on Fabric

10" x 13"



# Latasha Johnson

*“I never dreamt I would be drawing, printmaking, designing fabric-related products, and have my new business, ‘Hello Tasha’.”*

Disabilities have turned out to be a wide-open door to a new life of creativity and exploration for Latasha Johnson. She does not shy away from learning new skills or tackling artistic challenges. Her inspiration comes from nature and the research she does about her animal subjects. Having been diagnosed with developmental disabilities when she was young, Tasha found art as an outlet for personal growth. She has been a bright spot in the Imagine Art community for 4 years. She explores clay figures, as well as embroidery and other fiber art’s skills, which led to her newly released line of textile products and business start-up.



# Jeweled Volcano

Colored Pencil on Paper

9" x 12"

# Linda Bingham

*“I used to take pictures in my head,  
now I put them on paper.”*

Linda Bingham’s art has a strong emphasis on color and repeating geometric patterns. Utilizing colored pencils, Linda creates stylized drawings, often incorporating elements like skulls and Halloween objects. Her love for nature and intricate patterns influences her work. Linda spares no expense to rendering detail, carefully blending several colors and outlining the image in bold lines. Much of her work has lovely dramatic themes with a hint of darkness. Linda also enjoys incorporating text and bubble letters into her art pieces.



# Bravelands

Pen, Pencil, Markers, Crayons on Paper

9" x 12"

# Mason Day

Mason Day's artwork with detailed animals and fantasy creatures is inspired by the cartoons he watches. With ink pen and colored pencils, Mason depicts roaring lions, fiery dragons, and hungry gorillas with emotional facial expressions. Mason writes and illustrates action-packed fantasy stories where his characters become friends with each other. Especially remarkable is how quickly and consistently Mason can create his drawings, which resemble animated cartoons. A lifelong artist, Mason shares his work online on the Deviant Art website. He hopes to continue exhibiting and selling his art in galleries.



## **Snake River in Fall**

Tapestry Weaving on Acrylic and Cotton Yarn

2.5" x 5.5"

# Molly Hale

At Imagine Art's annual holiday shows, an extremely popular item has been Molly Hale's colorful crocheted scarves. But it doesn't stop there, Molly also weaves, knits, is into film photography, draws, and paints. She also makes ceramics and greeting cards, as well. She hand paints on glass stones to decorate magnets. Needless to say, Molly is very industrious. A multi-media textile artist, Molly is working hard in fiber arts and has created her own business line. She has a passion for culinary arts and American Sign Language, and teaches a Zoom class in ASL every Friday. Molly would like to grow even more in her art-making, maybe follow her mom's footsteps into ceramics.



# Stories

Mixed Media on Canvas Board

12" x 16"



# Nancy Doyle

A central theme of Nancy Doyle's work is scenery, including landscapes, architecture, and animals. Nancy is a painter of 30 years, specializing in acrylic. Her *Geese in Flight* and *Lighthouse on the Sea* are prime examples of her interests. She recently began experimenting with 3D and mixed media, where she combines her love of painting with collage. Nancy enjoys adding and layering many elements to her work including paint, glitter, and paper cutouts to build up the surface of her work. In particular, Nancy enjoys painting the atmosphere of New Orleans, where she often visits.



# Living Room

Acrylic on Paper

11" x 15"

# Nancy West

*“For me life as a teacher means that I am forever a teacher and a student.”*

Nancy West’s artistic style is characterized by big and bold brushstrokes and a bright, full-color palette. Teaching art for over 25 years, Nancy also coordinated art programs for the city of Austin. She plans to keep teaching in order to produce fresh artwork. Since 2000, when Nancy first joined Imagine Art, her art career has blossomed. Over the years, she has built a body of work with a primary focus on oil paintings. Nancy has been an Artist in Residence at Imagine Art/AmeriCorps for the past two years, and her art can be seen on Imagine Art’s online store and other places around Austin.



# Cat's Eye

Pastel on Paper

5" x 7"

# Natalie Sherwood

*“Love is like the wind, you can’t see it but you can feel it.”*

Natalie Sherwood enjoys representing nature, especially detailed and expressive animal eyes. Inspired by the multiple artists in her family, Natalie views art as a shared family interest. She depicts her love of nature in a realistic manner, experimenting with different compositions of landscapes and animals. More recently, Natalie has expanded her artistic horizons by learning how to use new media, such as a digital drawing tablet and chalk pastels. Soft gradients and blended textures bring Natalie’s work to life.



# Mountain Landscape

Acrylic on Canvas

16" x 20"

# Nuriia Ahkmetshina

The passion and versatility of Nuriia Ahkmetshina's artwork is unmistakably displayed in her various subjects. She has painted portraits of animals, to beautiful landscapes. Nuriia mainly paints with acrylics on canvas, after first sketching her subjects. Her first language is Russian Sign Language, but like Imagine Art has found time and again, art speaks articulately about all things in ways that everybody can understand.



# **Rosita in the void**

Acrylic on Canvas

16" x 20"



# Osiris Jaimes-Azmitia

Artist and animator Osiris Jaimes-Azmitia creates detailed and stylized art in several mediums. Often seeking to widen her range for her stories and art, she draws inspiration from nature, cartoons, contemporary art, and her own imagination. Osiris holds a Media and Animation degree and aims to create art that people of all ages can relate to and enjoy. Although she primarily utilizes digital means to create her art, Osiris never forgets to practice with traditional mediums. Osiris teaches Digital Drawing at Imagine Art as an AmeriCorps Artist in Residence. After her health improves, she plans on moving to an animation studio.



# Abstract 24

Acrylic on Canvas

24" x 36"

# Ramin Mandavi

Bold colors, forceful deliberate lines, and contemporary themes set Ramin Mandavi's work apart. By layering colors in rectangular strips and using both lighter and darker tones, Ramin expresses emotion in his pieces. Ramin was born in Iran then came to the United States with his family in 2008. His initial interest in art was drawing, and since coming to Imagine Art he has discovered a love for ceramics and acrylic painting. Under the guidance of his IA teachers, he experiments with new shapes and forms as a way to challenge his limits. He speaks only Farsi, but his art transcends language.



# Butterflies in Spring

Watercolor on Paper

9" x 12"

# Richmond Freeman

Richmond Freeman creates beautiful and realistic work, often utilizing watercolor that flows through the piece. By simply observing a photograph, Richmond can render splendid detail and perspective. He captures the beauty in nature with a limited color palette. Richmond's passion for art is evident to everyone around him. He is a prolific artist, creating several pieces per day. He appreciates family support. Richmond's artwork speaks volumes, and he shares his voice with the world. Richmond will continue making countless works for everyone to enjoy.



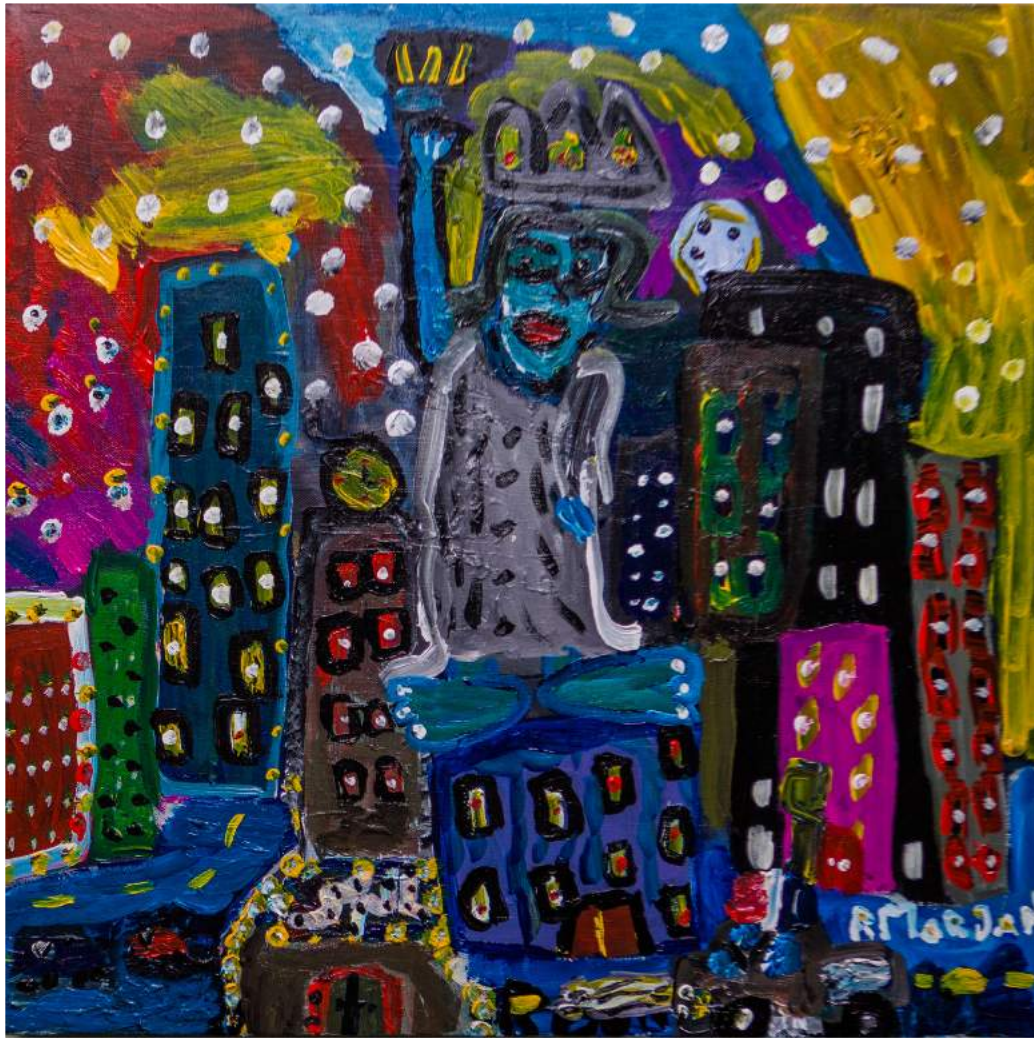
# Common Journey

Fine Art Print on Canvas on Stretched Canvas

10" x 12"

# **Rick Hernandez**

Rick is currently the AmeriCorps Program Director for Imagine Art. Rick is a practicing ceramist, painter, and sculptor. He received a BFA in Ceramics from the University of Texas in El Paso in 1976. Rick served for 30 years at the Texas Commission on the Arts and retired as TCA's Executive Director in 2007. Rick has been in a number of two/three-person and group exhibitions.



# Liberty Statue

Acrylic on Canvas

20" x 20"



# Rodney Morgan

Rodney Morgan has a natural gift for interpreting the world around him in a fun, lively, and charismatic way. A thoughtful painter, Rodney uses bold brushstrokes within an array of colors. He depicts patterns and shapes to ultimately create a fantastical version of local cityscapes and the life he experiences therein. A prime example is his acrylic piece called San Antonio. In it, he creates a lighthearted rendition of the historic Alamo landmark surrounded by icons of modern culture. In the foreground vehicles appear detached from the street as if floating, and the blue and red stones of the mission's wall accentuate the whimsical nature of the work. Rodney continues to grow as a painter at Imagine Art. When not painting, Rodney enjoys singing, dancing, and making new friends.



# Galaxy

Pastel on Paper

9" x 12"

# Sheena Walter

*“I just enjoy the creative experience, and it’s therapeutic for me to create.”*

Sheena Walter’s beautiful pastel and charcoal drawings depict outdoor scenery, nature, and animals. With softly blended textures, her work evokes peaceful, calm feelings. Sheena enjoys spending time outdoors, and cites her life experiences, faith, and pets as inspirations. Sheena took art classes in high school and college and currently works as a social media influencer at Art Spark Texas, promoting their programs through her social media accounts. She draws great personal satisfaction from her art-making, as it helps her unwind. Interested in improving her skills, Sheena would like to share more of her work online as prints in the future.



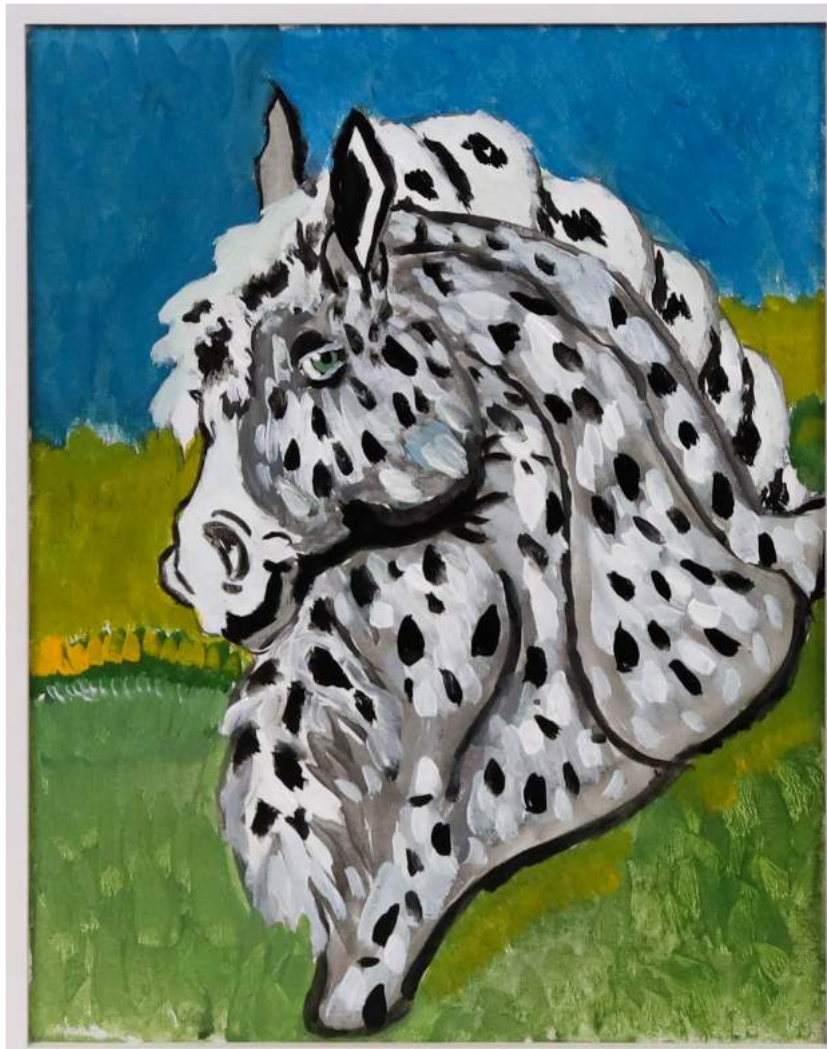
# River

Colored Pencil on Paper

9" x 12"

# Shon Parker

Shon Parker is best known around Imagine Art for his ominous skies, pastoral landscapes, plants and animals of the sea, and mythological settings. As a self-taught artist, Shon explores his art with a range of media that include colored pencil, pastel, watercolor, acrylic, and ceramics. He is a true student of art, and strives to read, learn, and practice to improve his considerable skills. His watercolors and acrylics burst with the subtleties found in nature, and there is a sense of adventure inherent in his castles and mythical creatures. Viewers recognize the playfulness and adventurous spirit in his storytelling. Shon's work is inventive and sincere.



# Dapple Grey

Acrylic on Canvas

11" x 14"

# Steven Fisher

Steven Fisher is well known for his passion for horses and intricate paintings and illustrations of them. Working mainly in watercolor on paper or acrylic on canvas, he has a knack for giving each horse a unique personality. Whether it's the excited bulging eyes of a racehorse or the yearning expressions of two horses in love. He has enriched and expanded the depth of his passion by learning and applying new painting techniques. Steven has shared his bright disposition with the Imagine Art community for over three years. His horses and other art can be found on their online store and other places around town.



# Four Seasons

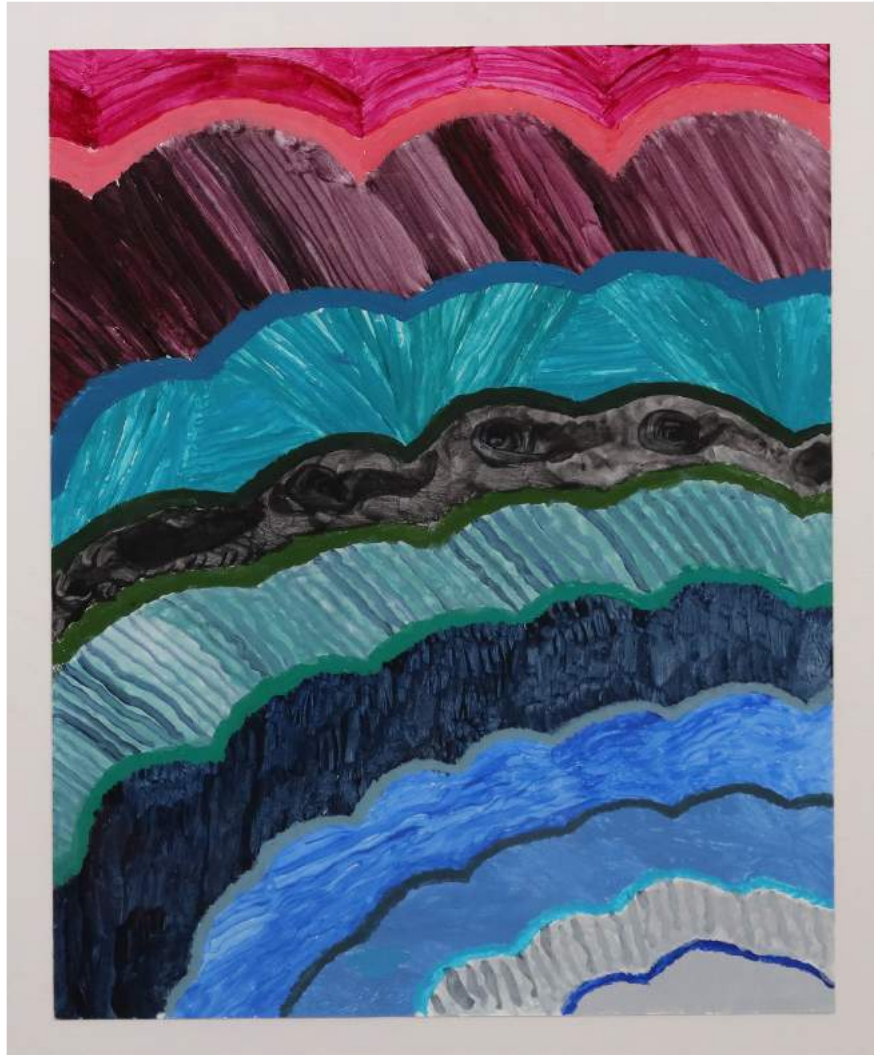
Mixed Media on Paper

9" x 12"



# Sujal Manohar

A standout feature of Sujal Manohar's work is her tangible, visual depictions of abstract issues, prompting the viewer to grapple with something previously unseen. A lifelong artist, Sujal, creates detailed and bold work in a range of media, often focusing on health topics. While her background is in drawing and painting, she also utilizes mixed media, photography, and graphic design. With degrees in both neuroscience and visual arts, Sujal does not view these fields as mutually exclusive. She believes art is a tool for human connection and healing. Currently, Sujal serves as a Hart Fellow and AmeriCorps Artist-in-Residence at Imagine Art. She plans to enroll into medical school in summer 2021.



# Segments

Acrylic on Paper

11" x 14"

# Vic Martinez

By capturing his visions in a sketch book just after meditation, Vic Martinez explores different dimensions of consciousness that he calls Meditation Scapes. He produces 11x14 acrylic pieces on Bristol paper or small canvas boards. Like so many others, he owes his art enthusiasm to the shelter-in-place orders during the pandemic. Vic finished his first med scape, Bursts, on May 15, 2020. The Chakras play a vital role in his thematic development and color choices. He considers himself an abstract symbolist. Vic's greatest inspiration is his wife, Chris Green-Martinez, a painter who showed him the fearless attitude needed for creating art. Vic is an AmeriCorps member serving with Imagine Art in exhibits and inventory.



## **Monarch in the Summer**

Colored Pencil on Paper

7" x 10"

# Yoab Cabrera

Yoab Cabrera creates brightly-colored drawings of animals, especially bears, in natural environments. He enjoys looking at animals and sketching them. Vivid colored pencil and pastel hues give Yoab's art a happy and playful feeling. Inspired by his artistic family members and animated Disney cartoons, Yoab represents his animals with a distinctive style, utilizing outlines and smooth textures. Yoab also draws inspiration from the places he has lived. His bears are influenced by his birth state of Alaska. Yoab is fluent in Spanish and English, and enjoys traveling to different cities and meeting new people. Previously, Yoab has exhibited his work at the "Covered" EAST Austin Studio Tour.



# IMAGINE ART

*Where Every Life is a Work of Art*

Serving Austin for 25 years, Imagine Art is a space where artists with and without disabilities thrive. Artists come daily to create in the studios, exhibit in the galleries and connect with the life of the community.

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