

# Debbie Grossman, Artist My goal as an artist is to bring peace and beauty to the world.

As a young child, I wanted to become an artist. Throughout the years I created art for enjoyment and used it as a therapeutic tool. When times of challenges occurred in my life, I produced a large amount of paintings. I decided to start selling my paintings in 1995. At that time, I placed second out of 1,300 artists in an international art contest. I have several repeat collectors and new ones as I create fresh new pieces.

In addition to being an artist, I have taught people of all ages. I absolutely love the six years that I taught children from kindergarten through fifth grade. They have such amazing energy! Unlike adults, they are not scared to make mistakes and are very open to using new techniques and materials.

I call myself the happy paintress. Do you know why? Well, for over 12 years my mom was fighting cancer. I took care of her. However, to take care of myself I would paint, sketch and draw to keep my spirits up. One day she said, "You are so happy when you are painting." And, yes... that is why I call myself @thehappypaintress.

## AWARDS AND EXHIBITIONS 1995-2023

"In The Jungle" - Second place of 1,300 artists in United States and Canada, Hunter Museum of Contemporary Art, Chattanooga, Tennessee • "Honeymoon in Nice" - Top 100 of artists of the world, Art Prospect 1997, La Jolla Village Art Competition, California • Gifford Lane Art Stroll, Coconut Grove, FL (2019-2022) • Pinecrest Gardens Fine Arts Festival (2019-2023) • Solo exhibit at Pompano Beach Library • Flamingo Fest at Flamingo Gardens, Davie, FL • ArtServe Art Show, Biscayne Park Art Show • Broward Art Guild Juried Shows • Las Laguna, California, Juried Show • ArtServe Gallery, Ft. Lauderdale, FL- Reflect: Healing Through Art, Juried Art Show • 409 Wine Bar Art Gallery, Hallandale, FL• Brave Girls Club-Bird Art • Studio 18, City of Pembroke Pines, FL- "Out of Many One" • JAFCO Children's Ability Center, Sunrise, Florida, with Romero Britto • JAFCO Children's Ability Center, Sunrise, FL- Art & Jazz, Co-chaired, Curated, Exhibited • David Posnack, JCC - Solo Show • Royal Art Gallery Weston, FL• Weston Art Festival, Weston, FL• Numerous exhibits throughout Florida, and in New York, California, and Tennessee

#### Past member of the Executive Board for Broward Art Guild in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

### **REVIEWS & ARTICLES**

VoyageMia, 2019 • Broward County Bar Association Barrister Magazine • Miami Herald, Sunday, December 27, 1998 • Kendall Gazette, Miami, FL• Entertainment News & Reviews, Miami Beach, FL• Broward Arts & Culture Magazine, Ft. Lauderdale, FL• Chattanooga Press, Chattanooga, TN

I am grateful for the gift of art and being able to share my work and knowledge with the world. In addition, I am proud to have been able to have donated some pieces to different children's charities and other organizations.

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