

TERESE GARCIA

BIO

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"When working on a painting or art piece, the source of creation is the unknown and the work evolves through sheer will. I leave myself behind and I enter a timeless reality where things become undefinable by words and I merge with the piece."

Terese Garcia is a non representational painter and artist. She was born in Hollywood, Ca and was raised in Covina, Ca in the San Gabriel Valley of Los Angeles County. As a child she visited the pyramids of Teotihuacan, Mexico, the Grand Canyon and Yosemite. These ancient, natural and human made wonders had a profound impact on her and inspired her to look within herself. This was the impetus for she being an artist.

In 1986, she was awarded a BA in Political Science from the University of California, Santa Barbara. In her last year there, she took art classes through the University Art Department. It was during that time that she found her true vocation and has been active in the arts since then. She went on to study at Otis Parsons School of Art and Design in Los Angeles, Ca. After experiencing some life changing events, she began abstracting her imagery and figures and overtime, has become a powerful and strong non representational painter and artist. In 1992 she relocated to the Monterey Peninsula where she resides with her husband.

Her art is in private collections and she's had numerous group, juried and solo exhibitions throughout California and in New York. She self published "ABSTRACT DESIGNS TO COLOR" coloring book for children and adults in 2008. This coloring book was sold at the Phoenix Ship in Big Sur, Ca and Bay Books Bookstore in Monterey, Ca. In 2010 she was chosen as an Artist-in-Resident by the Vermont Studio Center (VSC) in Johnson, VT for writers and visual artists from around the world. She was also awarded an Artist Grant by the VSC.

Her work is represented by Gloria Delson Contemporary Arts, Los Angeles, Art a la Folie online Gallery and The Edge Gallery, Carmel Valley, CA. She's a member of the Pacific Grove Arts Center, Pacific Grove, Ca., an active member of Open Ground Studios, Seaside, Ca., and has been a member of San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, Ca.