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TRANSFORMING THE LANDSCAPE IN WATERCOLOR

Joyce brings her passion and love for teaching to inspire and motivate in a fun, fast-paced workshop. Emphasis is on techniques and strategies for transforming ordinary scenes into extraordinary ones with watercolor; scenes that reach out and connect with viewers. She teaches simple easy-to-learn methods that will appeal to beginners as well as seasoned artists looking for renewed inspiration and insights into new ways of thinking. You will learn from clear explanations about the reasoning behind artistic decisions and visually from daily step-by-step demonstrations. You will become more comfortable with the watercolor medium while learning to distill and simplify scenes from inspiration to finished work of art. Once technical aspects have been mastered your confidence will show and your own Signature Style will begin to emerge for works of art that are uniquely yours. Afternoons are devoted to one-on-one time with students.

Following are a few of the topics covered in her workshops.

- atmospheric perspective in the landscape
- simplifying and streamlining scenes
- begin building your own visual language of symbols to paint by
- steps for building strong compositions
- painting “relationships” instead of “things”
- important design principles for creating exciting paintings
- working with photographs, sketch books and color studies
- planning strategies that will allow you to paint spontaneously and with confidence
- daily lectures and demonstrations