

Dianne J. Leong

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Artist Statement.

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“Art for me is the affirmation of life; subsequently, recognizing the continuous, ever-changing transitions in life forms—in nature, and in the deep emotions, and complex thoughts of humanity.

As a painter and printmaker, I work predominately in oil, acrylic, intaglio, Japanese woodcut and linocut. Elements and principles of design are my visual language: unity, line, rhythm, shape, colour and pattern transmit emotions, moods, and expressions.

In my paintings, I experiment with colour and attempt to project the luminosity, brilliance, modulated hues and myriad reflections of light. In all of my artwork, especially my prints, I explore the sensitivity of gestures, the variety of shapes, textures, line, and active and passive space. My work depicts my perceptions and views on a particular subject.

My work is informed by and reflective of my beliefs, experiences, family and concern for the quality of life.”

Art creation has always surrounded Dianne, first as a young child, watching her Father who was a multi-talented artist – a painter, a welder, a motors enthusiast and inventor. Dianne holds a Bachelor of Fine Art from the University of Calgary graduating in 1994. She majored in painting and printmaking. She also holds a Bachelor of Education after degree, 1998 and a Masters of Education, 2009.

She has worked for galleries and museums including the London Regional Art Gallery and worked as a visual artist for 8 years. She was an exhibiting member of the Federation of Canadian Artists, Alberta Printmakers Society and the Garden Art Party Society of Alberta, before establishing a long career as a certificated teacher. She has worked in public education K-12, community and post-secondary education. She currently holds leadership roles in non-profit arts and culture, Dianne is pleased to have a new studio at ARTPOINT to immerse herself and re-discover her art voice and passion. Her work is held in private collections.