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April, 2022 Art News & Updates

## It's A Wrap!

As we approach the end of season, I want to thank all of you once again for your friendship and support. In early October, when I entered the art festival world full time, I didn't know what to expect. It was a leap of faith. I never imagined it would be this rewarding or that I would meet so many special people.

*Look for a mid-summer update and I will look forward to connecting with you all next season. Wishing you all a wonderful, relaxing summer!*

### Featured Painting - Little Red Wagon



This month, I am featuring Little Red Wagon because it's meaning has come full circle and fitting to my present life. This is an older piece that I painted when all 3 of my kids left home to enter the world as adults. I knew it was time to retire the wagon, but I didn't want to let go of all the memories tied to it. I decided to give it new life by planting flowers and using the

wagon as a container. On the white section, I painted each child's first initial to commemorate their years of pulling each other around, pretending the wagon was a firetruck, a sled, or a covered wagon from pioneer times.

Now, many years later, my daughter is preparing to welcome her first child into the world and she will be making her own memories with the little red wagon. Flowers bring people a sense of peace not only for their beauty but because they are fresh, colorful and full of life. This painting is a reminder that we can always be comforted by new life, fresh blooms, and the cycle of nature.

## More Artwork



"Let's Go"



"Summertime"





"Stillness"



"Early Morning"



"Jewel of the Sea"



"Off Shore"

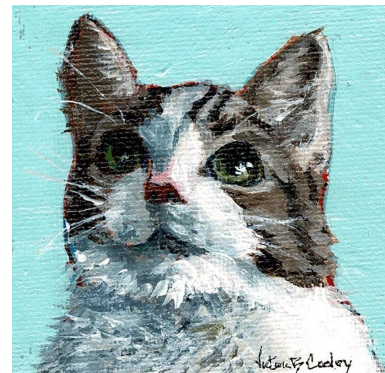
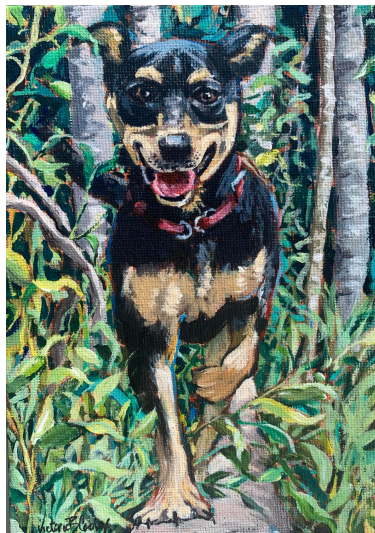


"Beachside"

## Commissioned Pet Portraits



Bailey



Shiloh

## Upcoming Shows

**April 2nd & 3rd**

12th Annual Downtown West Palm Beach Art Festival

**April 9th & 10th**

Old Florida Celebration of the Arts - Cedar Key

**April 23rd & 24th**

Lakewood Ranch Arts & Crafts Festival



**A big thank you to the best assistant ever, my husband, Jamie!**

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