## **Colleen Cosgrove**

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I am a Minnesota fine artist engaged in the study of life through the life-long pursuit of oil painting.

I have spent many years exploring my art, developing my style, and experimenting with color and technique. I work exclusively in oils, whether working on location outdoors or in my studio from natural objects and my own reference photos. For the past five years or so, I have been embracing plein air and alla prima painting, capturing the essential feeling of my subject in one session.

A lifelong resident of the Twin Cities, I began painting in when I was a teenager at the Convent of the Visitation School in Mendota Heights. I had several exceptional art teachers who recognized and encouraged my talent. With their guidance, I went on to attend the College of Visual Arts in St. Paul. My experiences there intensified my passion to explore the medium of oil on canvas. That pursuit continues to grow and evolve every day.