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## Jan Briggs



Every piece of art embodies every individual artist-bits of their heart and thought.

Jan Briggs endeavors to paint our precious world as she sees it colorfully adding passion and glory or in a perspective to command your attention. She often concentrates on vulnerable things such as water and wild life especially endangered species —things many take for granted. Barns, old churches and scenes in Arkansas are favorite subjects. Having drawn as long as she can remember she now creates mainly in oil, watercolor, pen & ink and miniatures. Unique to her is painting oil on aluminum and developing her own style of 3-D effect pieced watercolor resembling jigsaw puzzles. She has exhibited in many

juried shows and won many awards. Her works hang privately and commercially across the USA.

As an art major at Henderson State University she spent one summer as the youngest art director for Camp Aldersgate in Little Rock. She worked in advertising while in high school, was an artist for Arkansas Democrat, and free-lanced window display and advertising art. While raising her children she worked in Mountain Pine Schools, starting their Summer Activities and Close-Up programs. She was a leader in Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts (a lifetime member) using her art in various positions held. She has taught classes at Garland County Library and privately, demonstrated arts in many venues, and just shared a lot. She is also an active board member and past president of Garland County Friends of the Library.

Finishing her BFA degree in Studio Arts in her fifties, she has attended many workshops and National Park Community College to further hone her painting skills. Jan believes you can always learn something new that's helpful and we should always be willing to share.

Artwork by Jan may be seen in Hot Springs AR in Artists Workshop Gallery (<a href="www.artistsworkshopgallery.com">www.artistsworkshopgallery.com</a>) & The Whittington Gallery & Studios; in Mt. Ida, AR the Ouachita Artists Gallery; in Glenwood, AR the Bainum Library Gallery for Three Rivers Art Guild; on Arkansas Artists Registry, on Facebook. Jan is currently a member of Traditional Art Guild, Ouachita Artists, Three Rivers Art Guild, Plein Air Painters of Central AR, and Artists and Biologist United for Nature.

Most people don't realize when buying or viewing a piece of art they are really viewing the artist's soul because they work so much of themselves into their art. Please enjoy my art.