

Fine Art CV

Cynthia (Cindy) Matthews

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Artist's Statement:

Cindy Matthews is a visual artist and writer. Her approach to creativity is both exploratory and experimental. Her style tends to be loose, unstructured, and accommodating to the medium and her mood. She is most excited when a picture reveals itself through movement of the medium rather than commencing with a target in mind. She is most in awe of watercolor and inks, both having a mind of their own and a deliberately naughty attitude.

The rural landscape where she lives influences how she sees the world. She expresses herself with bold strokes and vibrant colors. Her paintings can be whimsical or sober, depends on the disposition of the day. During the long dark winters, she finds herself in a passionate affair with primary colors, defined textures, and brawny shapes. She'd rather suggest an image than be bleakly representational. Her photography takes the viewer on an unusual journey, sneaking in close to a subject and often only including a fraction of what is there.

Showings, Galleries, and Stores

ONGOING

Products / fine art available:
Wonky Frog, Blyth
Dancing Frog Antiques, Kenilworth
Nature's Millworks, Paisley

PREVIOUSLY

Garafraxa Café, Durham

ONLINE Presence:

<https://artofwhere.com/artists/cindy-i-matthews>
<https://fineartamerica.com/artists/cynthia+matthews>
Twitter, Instagram, Facebook

June, 2018

Brockton Art Committee's Featured Wall Artist
Individual Show
Theme ~ Lines (photography and fine art)
Walkerton Public Library ~ The Wall

May, 2018

Guest Artist, Owen Sound Artists' Cooperative
Ink and Wax Framed Paintings

March, 2017 & 2018

March Miniatures
Owen Sound Artists' Cooperative
Floral and Bunny art on tile

May and June, 2016

'Teeming with Radiance' ~ Florals
Individual Show ~ Featuring Acrylic / Watercolours
Chesley Public Library ~ The Wall

September, 2014

Individual Show ~ 'Froggie' Theme
Chesley Public Library ~ The Wall

August - September, 2014

Saugeen Artists Diversity
Multi-artist show
Santa Fe Gallery, Owen Sound

March - May 2013

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Un-themed Individual Show ~ Acrylic Medium
Walkerton Public Library ~ The Wall

Awards, Publications, and Recognition

2018 (fall) and ongoing	Retired Teachers of Ontario selected two of my floral images to be used in tribute cards ('in honour' and 'in tribute')
October 2018	Foliage Oak Literary Magazine 3 encaustic images published in magazine
June 2018	Owen Sound Banner Project 'After the Storm' produced as a banner for the harbour area of Owen Sound, Ontario
Spring 2018	Retired Teachers of Ontario 'On the Wild Side' image selected for Spring event/luncheon menu
April 2018	Walkerton Juried Art Show 3rd prize (tied) for 'On the Wild Side' Oil/Acrylic painting category
June 2017	Owen Sound Banner Project 'Lily Pad Pond' produced as a public art banner for Owen Sound Harbour and area
May 2017	Contemporary Art Gallery Online ALL BOTANICALS competition 'Iris Explosion' awarded third prize (3D / mixed media category)
April 2017	One of two featured artists Jenny Magazine, Rural/Urban theme Youngstown State University, Ohio
April 2017	Walkerton Juried Art Show 3rd prize Works on Paper category

March 2017	Light, Space, & Time Online Art Gallery Abstracts Art Exhibition 'Red Dress' Special Merit Category Award
January 2017	Light, Space, & Time Online Art Gallery All Women Art Exhibition 'Three Birches' Special Merit Category Award
2016	Art Map Grey Bruce Simcoe Landscapes 'Isaac Lake' (sold) represented May
July 2016	Walkerton Juried Art Show 3rd prize Photography category
Summer 2016	Bruce County Public Library Reel Fish Contest 1st Prize/Best Fish . . . Hook, Line, and Sinker 'Psychedelic Sam'
June 2015	Owen Sound Banner Project 'Leaf Seeking Rest' produced as a banner
Autumn 2015	Retired Teachers of Ontario Senate Banquet 'Leaf Seeking Rest' image used for banquet program
April 2015	Walkerton Juried Art Show 'Three Birches' (sold) 2nd prize Mixed media category
2015	Art Map Grey Bruce Simcoe Landscapes 'Barn with Fields' (sold) represented March
April 2014	Walkerton Juried Art Show Floral (sold) 3rd prize Watercolour category

Training / Workshops

Ongoing	Peter Reid, Marion Anderson, Tina Concetta Revie, Bev Morgan, Alexis Bonavitacola, Kim Kool, Kellie Day
1975-78	University of Waterloo Various electives / fine art

Community ~ In-Kind Contributions

October 2017-November 2018	‘On the Wild Side, Too’ ~ Selected by Grey Bruce Health Services, Momentos project Visual Art ‘Loan’ to hospitals, Grey County 1 of 50 artists selected, Canada 150 project
Ongoing / annual	Themed Desk / Wall Calendar produced Portion of Sales donated to Literary Programming for Babies (Bruce County Public Library)
Ongoing / annual	Durham Art Gallery Contributor to Silent Auction Major fundraiser for local gallery
Ongoing / annual	Gutsy Walk for Crohn’s and Colitis Canada Art and functional art donated for silent auction and raffle
Ongoing / annual	Monthly newsletter to subscribers through website www.cindymatthews.ca