

# Jennifer A. Tepper,

## Artist Bio & CV

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Jennifer is a third-generation native of Washington, DC, and was blessed to grow up in a city with so many amazing museums, resources, beautiful places, and opportunities to pursue art. She matriculated from the Catholic University of America with a B.A. in English Literature, with concentrations in Fine Art and Philosophy. After graduating, Jennifer continued her art education with classes at the Smithsonian Institute and Corcoran School of Art & Design in Washington, DC, the former Columbia School of Visual Arts in Columbia, MD, and the Torpedo Factory in Alexandria, VA.

Jennifer has worked with pen and ink, colored pencil, acrylic and oil, and clay, and has pursued painting, figure drawing, calligraphy, stippling, ceramics, and more. For the past 7 years, she's focused on painting mostly abstract in acrylics and oils. She has exhibited her work in studio tours, gallery exhibitions, restaurants, and coffee shops in both Virginia and New Mexico.

Jennifer began her pursuit of a creative avocation in earnest after a career in commercial real estate in Washington, DC, spanning more than 15 years. She was a yarn dyer for nearly 18 years and returned to painting in 2014. She currently splits her time between Rappahannock County, VA, and southwestern New Mexico, where she lives and creates on a ranch in the Gila National Forest outside Silver City.

## 2022

Up Arts Incubator Exhibition, "[I Am From](#)"

Camelback Gallery, Bronze Award, "[Abstracts with Blue](#)," Juried Online Exhibition

Las Lagunas Gallery Exhibition, "[Women in Art](#)"

O'Hanlon Center for the Arts, "[Strictly Abstract](#)" Juried Online Exhibition

Camelback Gallery, Silver Award, "[Artist Invitational 2022 International Juried Visual Arts Competition](#)"

Las Lagunas Gallery Exhibition, "[Golden: 50 and Over, 2022](#)"

Camelback Gallery, Silver Award "[Bold Abstracts 2022 Juried Painting Competition](#)"

Camelback Gallery, Bronze Award, "[Bold Abstracts 2022 Juried Painting Competition](#)"

Art Fluent, "[Within](#)," Juried Online Exhibition

Group Exhibition, Light Art Space, Silver City, NM

Group Exhibition, Before & After, Sperryville, VA

Group Exhibition, Revel, Silver City, NM

Annual Fall Art Tour of the Artists of Rappahannock, Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community

Treasurer, Webmaster, Independent Artist Member, Silver City Art Association

Member, American Women Artists

## 2021

Group Exhibition, Light Art Space, Silver City, NM

Group Exhibition, Before & After, Sperryville, VA

Group Exhibition, Revel, Silver City, NM

Annual Fall Art Tour of the Artists of Rappahannock, Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community

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- 2020 Group Exhibition, Revel, Silver City, NM  
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Member, American Women Artists
- 2019 Annual Studio Tour, Silver City Art Association, Grant County, NM  
Group Exhibition, Light Art Space, Silver City, NM  
Solo Exhibition, Before & After, Sperryville, VA  
Studio Artist Member, Silver City Art Association
- 2018 Annual Fall Art Tour of the Artists of Rappahannock, Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community  
Group Exhibition, Rappahannock Association for Arts & Community, Washington, VA  
Solo Exhibition, Before & After, Sperryville, VA
- 2017 Annual Fall Art Tour of the Artists of Rappahannock, Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community  
Group Exhibition, Rappahannock Association for Arts & Community, Washington, VA
- 2016 Annual Fall Art Tour of the Artists of Rappahannock, Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community  
Group Exhibition, Rappahannock Association for Arts & Community, Washington, VA

## Artist Statement

Abstract art is infinitely inclusive and intuitive -we all see it from within the confines of our own lives and experiences and therein find our own unique meaning. There is a metamorphosis in the creation of art - I never start a painting with a vision of what it will be because it becomes what it is meant to be. I am the conduit for the magic that happens.

My work is a journey of authentically honoring my time here on earth and connecting with the elemental experience of being human. It is perfectly imperfect, as we all are. And therein lies our beauty.

Rich paints and lush brushwork create visual poetry; art is a fundamental connection and conversation between the artist and her materials. When I paint, my goal is to get out of my head and into that deep and resonant space of soul, where we are all connected. My goal is for each person to find his or her own meaning in my work; to connect in a way as unique as we each are.

Creating art is vulnerable and honest. Releasing my art into the world is an act of vulnerability, courage, and love. My hope is that it speaks to you within your own life and helps you to tell your story, as creating it helps me to tell mine.