

## Barbara Seliner





Growing up in the Willamette Valley, Barbara spent a lot of time on her grandparents' farm among the trees, animals and wonders of nature. As a child, she enjoyed making jewelry, doing various craft and sewing projects. Midlife, Barbara went on to train as an educator and, after four years of teaching in public school, a Master's Degree with emphasis in Learning Disabilities. During her career, she dabbled with tempera and acrylics paints, colored and drawing pencils, always shied away from watercolors.

It wasn't until 30 years later, after retiring, she took a class from a local artist who introduced her to the magical, sometimes mystical, properties of watercolor when Barbara found her favorite medium. She continues drawing and experimenting with watercolors using whatever catches her eye in nature and on her travels, recording it all in her travel journal.

Sometime after that Barbara found her way to the North Clackamas Arts Guild with no idea of being an artist, seeing herself more as a hobbyist enjoying art and interested in learning more about the local artists and the art world in her area. It was during the Guild's next art show that members encouraged her to enter a couple of paintings; wanting to support the art guild, she did. Lo-and-behold and to her utter shock, one of Barbara's paintings was awarded second place in her category AND the Judge's Choice Award. Since then she has gone on to win many first and second place ribbons for her artwork as well as People's Choice Awards. Truth be told, she still has a hard time seeing herself as an artist, but.....

You can contact Barbara through her art email: selinerartfulcreations@gmail.com Or leave a message at 503-786-1222

## Affiliations:

North Clackamas Arts Guild
2015-2016 Secretary
2017-2018 Membership Chairman
2019 - Art Show CoChairman
2022-2023 President