

Mary Anne Nilsson

Artist M. Nilsson, aka Mary Anne Bloom, is an award winning artist who has lived and taught art in Carlsbad for over thirty years. Her landscapes of local and foreign scenes are distinguished by incredible skies, rich colors, and textures. Nilsson works mainly in pastels and acrylics using different grounds and techniques. "I love the richness and directness of pastels. Acrylics are incredibly diverse and allow me the opportunity to paint using thin glazes to impasto."

An active member and past president of COAL, she joined fourteen years ago to direct the Children's Show. Her degree in Fine Arts from San Jose State University and advocacy for art education in the grade schools were the driving forces behind her passion for teaching art. "Part of the joy of being an artist is not only the process but sharing the 'why and the how' of creating it."

Nilsson was born in London, England, raised in the S.F. Bay Area, currently lives in Carlsbad, still teaches adults classes privately and does commission work. See her work at www.nilssonfinearts.com