

Artist: Terry d. Chacon



Terry is from Redlands, CA and a national award-winning artist. Terry's artwork is in private collections in over 15 countries. She continues to sculpt in ceramic and bronze and does commission pet portraits in her studio.

She began her love for art as a young girl working in ceramics with her mother who also loved creating art. As a breeder of top winning Afghan Hounds for over 35 years, her dogs have been her inspiration in her paintings and her sculptures. She interjects whimsical qualities in her artwork, capturing the spirit and the almost human like qualities of her animals in real life situations.

Terry is an avid plein air artist and one of the founding members of the Plein Air Artists of Riverside and a member of SoCalPapa, LPAPA and American Impressionist Society. Influenced by impressionistic style paintings like those of Monet, Charles Hawthorne and Henry Hensche, she sought out to learn a style of painting that would enhance her abilities by adding color and light to her subjects not only in her studio but on location as well. Capturing the light is the most important part of her paintings. "Painting in plein air has given me a new way to see light and capture it in my paintings. The challenge is to capture it quickly, as it doesn't wait for you." You can see more of Terry's plein air and weekly updates on her blog at: www.weeklypaintingsbyterrydchacon.blogspot.com or visit her website at www.terrydchacon.com.

Terry's work can be seen at Montecito Frame and Art Gallery, Montecito, Ca., Jack's Fine Art Gallery, Beaumont, Ca. and she is represented by Heritage Bronze.

Mission Statement: *I want to create paintings and sculptures that show movement, emotion, and bring a sense of happiness to those who see them and own them. When people tell me I have accomplished this, I feel I have done my job as an artist!*