



# Meet Francheskaa



*China Revisited, acrylic*

## **I teach:**

- drawing, watercolor and mixed media painting

## **My Education:**

BA — San Jose State University, CA

MFA — University of Guanajuato, San Miguel de Allende

## **About Me:**

I have been working as a professional artist since 2002 after retiring from teaching art for the California and Nevada Public School Systems.

My work focuses on Abstract Expressionism in acrylic and watercolor on paper and canvas. My passion is the process of painting, to be free, to be open-ended and to paint. To be one with the painting. I spend my summers painting and teaching in the ghost town of Belmont, Nevada.

I am a member of the Southern Arizona Watercolor Guild, the Contemporary Artists of Arizona, the Southwestern League of Fine Arts, the Arizona Watercolor Association and the Tubac Center of the Arts. I exhibit regularly in Nevada and Arizona, and also have had work accepted into a number of juried shows, winning a number of awards, most recently two best of show awards at the Arizona Watercolor Society national exhibition in the spring of 2008, and the Southern Arizona Watercolor Guild membership show in the fall of that same year.

My teaching philosophy is simple:

*As a teacher, I am a portal.*

*Each student experiences the art process in their chosen media.  
The students' development and growth is not only their reward,  
but mine as well.*



Above: *Jazz Night*, acrylic

Right: *Whispers*, acrylic

