



Feb/March featured artist

Gillian Olson

Gillian Olson (AFCA) is a longtime Vancouver resident, watercolour artist, *Federation of Canadian Artists* member, *Brock House Artists Group* member and former convenor, *South Delta Artists Guild* member and Exhibits Co-Chair, photographer, and blogger. She is inspired by the natural world, enduring cultural monuments and whimsical architectural details seen locally and while travelling. Trips to Haida Gwaii, as well as many countries in Western Europe, Hawaii and Morocco, have provided inspiration. But it is the beauty of the South Coast around Vancouver that continues to inspire. Her unique style and ability to catch intense light and vibrant colours makes her work instantly recognizable.

After a career in healthcare, Gillian retired in 2008 and is now happily devoting herself to painting. In 2022, she was delighted to be awarded AFCA signature status with the Federation of Canadian Artists. She also creates greeting cards using images of her paintings; her quirky Christmas cards are especially popular. Gillian has shown her art in galleries, solo and small group shows in the community and at small commercial venues. Her work can be found in collections nationally and internationally.

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