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# Diane Akey

Nobody is really ready to retire! Although I've always enjoyed making art, I have had many roles in my life so far: student, teacher, mother, wife, farmer, and now painter! I paint what I want and where ever my brush takes me! I usually paint in acrylics. I like mark making, textures and patches of colours.

This last year we moved to Salmon Arm, B.C., where I continued my interest in en pleine aire. I have been evolving into 'impressionistic abstract' landscapes. As I have gradually changed from a career-controlled pace of life to a life with a pace that I can control, I have spent more time just enjoying my experiences with my own art making. I have explored and played with different mediums and various techniques. Self-directed creativity isn't easy! Everyday in my painting practice I meet challenges that move me forward on my way to a new learning journey that has no boundaries!

The support of family, friends and other artists have helped me through the joys and inevitable challenges of creating my art work. I am passionate about learning to make my art. I am not *retired*, I am *retreaded* and continually learning about making my art as wonderful as I can!

My work can be viewed on my website,

<http://Dianeakeyfinearts.com>

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