

## *About the Artist: Barbara Flowers*

Barbara is an international artist who lived most of her life in a small village near the Rhine Valley in Germany. Her deep desire to create art began at a young age. Barbara's parents encouraged her passion for art through private art lessons and visits to Europe's museums to view the collections of masterpieces. She was educated in foreign languages and had a successful career as a foreign language correspondent. Ultimately, Barbara's love for creating art became so strong she closed the door on her career and opened a new door to the world of art. She transitioned to a successful full time career in art and has never regretted her decision.

Each day Barbara looks forward to creating art that will convey the same sense of beauty to the viewer that inspired the artist. She approaches the canvas with this concept: "The power of suggestion is greater than the statement of reality." In addition, she also allows her mind, body, and the inspiration found in her faith in God to bring the concept to fruition. Her artistic process involves intuitively layering passages of oil impasto using brushes and palette knives. Each applied stroke is then judged for balance of color, temperature, and shapes. She strives for just enough variety without too much unity so as to capture the viewer's attention. A dialogue with the canvas begins to take place as the work progresses and the unexpected is certainly always welcome. This process is never contrived and always leaves room for spontaneity. Barbara considers the painting complete, when the emotional component of the subject matter has been achieved. Barbara resides in the United States, but continues to travel to Europe to gather inspiration for her work. Her work is held in international private and corporate collections.

### **Select Exhibitions, Awards and Honors:**

- 2017 Solo Show, Principle Gallery, Charleston
- 2016 Solo Show, Principle Gallery, Charleston
- 2016 Group Show, Jules Place, Boston
- 2015 Solo Show, Anne Irwin, Atlanta
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- 2012 Solo Show, Anne Irwin, Atlanta
- 2011 Solo Show, Corse Gallery & Atelier, Jacksonville

- 2011 Solo Show, Watts Fine Art, Zionsville
- 2011 Group Show, Anne Irwin, Atlanta
- 2010 Solo Show, Anne Irwin, Atlanta
- 2009 Raymar Third Annual Fine Art Competition, Finalist
- 2008 Solo Show, Beverly McNeil Gallery, Destin
- 2007 Solo Show, Matt Jones Gallery, Birmingham
- 2007 Solo Show, Tyler White Gallery, Greensboro
- 2007 Oil Painters of America 16<sup>th</sup> Annual National Juried Exhibition
- 2007 American Impressionist Society 8<sup>th</sup> Annual National Juried Exhibition  
Signature Member, American Impressionist Society