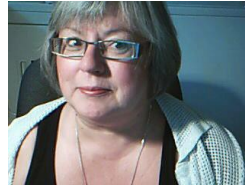


# Elissa Anthony

Landscape Artist ~ Working in Oils and Acrylics

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Elissa was born in Ontario and grew up in North Vancouver. She studied to be a graphic Artist and received her diploma as a Graphic Arts Technician from George Brown College in Toronto. After graduating she worked in many art related businesses including advertising (layout artist), printing (creative director), Display Art (Sales manager), and a stint as a scenic artist.

She moved to Europe in the early 90's and spent 7 yrs travelling the continent and visited major Galleries, redefining her artistic outlook and garnering as much information about painting and art as possible. During this time she studied Fine Art at the "Midlands Arts Centre" In Birmingham, England.

In 1997 Elissa moved to Vancouver island and the move proved inspirational. Since then she has flourished and grown as an Oil painter primarily in landscapes, but segues into large format floral, mixed media, abstractions and funky fun stuff from time to time. Her style usually includes acrylic and oil in the same paintings.

Elissa has shown at such prestigious venues as the Old School House, Nanaimo Art Gallery, Nanaimo Arts Council, Lloyd Major Gallery, Gallery 223, Milner Gardens, The Rollins Centre, Englishman River Gallery, Smashing Glass, Shorewinds Gallery, Island Exposures and the Mark Penney Gallery.

She was the President of the Arrowsmith Room at the former "Oceanside Arts Council" in Parksville, and sat as a founding member for the Centre for the Arts Nanaimo. She taught and exhibited for 3 years at the "Major Gallery" in Parksville. She recently took part in the West Coast Mural Mosaic. Elissa worked with approx 180 artists to create a huge mural called "Konamokst". This was unveiled at the 2010 Olympics. You can see it online at [www.muralmosiac.com](http://www.muralmosiac.com). Every year she takes part in the "5 Object Show" in Nanaimo and Shows in Milner Gardens for their Annual "Art In the Garden" Show. She also enters the "Grand Prix du Art" in Qualicum Beach and last year won an award of merit for her painting of the Chamber of Commerce Building. She is sitting as "Artist Liaison" on the board of directors at The Old School House.

Elissa's work can be seen in many area galleries including **The Old School House, Englishman River Gallery, Smashing Glass, Nanaimo Art Gallery, The Mark Penney Gallery, and Island Exposures**. Elissa is a resident artist at TOSH and you can see her on Mondays and Tuesdays in Studio 8 on the upper floor of TOSH. She is a member of **The Federation of Canadian Artists**, a member of **DeCosmos**, and former member of **Art 10**.

When Elissa is not painting OR potting herself, she teaches oil and acrylic painting to adults in her studio ~ The **MonElissa Gallery/Studio**, or at other venues in the area.

Her style swings from Realism thru expressionism, abstraction, mixed media and back. Either way you can always spot her unique style. Her interpretations of Vancouver Island capture her love of her adopted home. Her wide range of professional and artistic skills, combined with a unique and funky sense of humour, provide a delightful range of artwork to choose from.

Recently Roger's Chocolate's of Victoria purchased 2 of her images for their Canadian Collectors tins. One of them is now available online and the other will be released next spring.