



# Kathy Garrison

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Kathy Garrison is originally from Canton, Georgia, but lived in Alpharetta most of her adult life. She began oil painting soon after graduating from Cherokee High School, and continues to balance her creation of art with family life; and until 2001, corporate work as well. She has two sons and two grandchildren. While primarily self-taught, Kathy has studied with several Georgia artists as well as exploring the methods used by many nationally known artists. Her work has been exhibited in several art galleries and she has also participated in outdoor festivals. Many of her originals hang in the homes of admirers of her style; and travels with her husband has provided an opportunity to sell her prints and note cards to galleries, home décor stores, and gift shops throughout the Southeast.

Kathy endeavors to express the wonder of God's creation through the use of both vibrant and a subtle color found in nature and has accomplished this in oil, watercolor and mixed media. She enjoys capturing her surroundings with paint – from rural farmlands to historic buildings, and from old homes to public gardens. Her landscape paintings depict scenes that often instill a sense of tranquility to the observer, just as she felt at the moment of inspiration.

Kathy's appreciation of antiques, family heirlooms, and vintage items allows her to create still life paintings with charming nostalgic themes. The same utilization of color used in her landscapes along with strong contrast of light and shadow imparts a realistic quality to her still lifes.

No matter what her subject matter, whether it is landscape or still life, it is always Kathy's wish to bring a smile to the face of all who see her work.