

# Angela Russo

## Artist

I have always had a passion for art. I especially loved doing chalkboard drawings for my students when I worked as a Primary school teacher. When I had the opportunity to take up pastel classes I was excited by the wonderful effects possible with the use of pastel. I have a passion for pastel painting and enjoy using their vibrant colours. In my paintings I like to focus on the beauty created by the contrasting effects of light. I am influenced and inspired by the Impressionist style of painting.

I also enjoy working in Pen and Wash and enjoy creating views of places that are of special significance to others.

One of my main desires when I paint is to give joy and inspiration to others. Whether it be to trigger a memory of a particular place or to appreciate the beauty of another or to simply create a smile on a face.

I love painting a variety of subject matter and certainly enjoy the challenge of different topics especially with commissioned work. Topics can range from racing cars to soft toys. I also paint florals, animals, portraits, landscapes, seascapes and European scenes. I have gained a wealth of inspirational material from my travels to Europe and from living on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula.

I am a member of the Pastel Society of Victoria and The Peninsula Arts Society. I exhibit artwork regularly in art shows.

### **AWARDS**

Best Pastel – Derinya Art Show 2008

Best Cityscape – Pastel Society of Victoria 2008

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## Gallery



Reflecting



Fuschias



Forever Friends



Memories of Venice



Bellagio, Italy