



She Prefers to Live in Color

Using an old school/new school approach to making art, Nina Lipkowitz creates vibrantly colored images taken from both nature and pure imagination.

Great Barrington artist Nina Lipkowitz uses two very different mediums –watercolor paints and iPad pixels – to portray two very different types of images. Her elegant watercolors capture flowers from her garden, while her playful iPad finger paintings invent abstract realms of line and color. This spring, Lipkowitz will be participating in a still life show at Spencertown Academy from May 21 to June 19, with more exhibitions to follow.

Working in Two Styles, Nina Lipkowitz Explores Line and Color, Transparency, and Pattern and Light

Nina Lipkowitz describes herself as “a student of light, color, line, and the human spirit.” After starting out primarily as a sculptor, the Great Barrington resident turned to painting and developed two very different bodies of work.

She writes that her recent watercolor paintings “could be called ‘Garden Gone Wild’ or ‘Flowers Gone Wild’ or ‘Colors Gone Wild’ or ‘Lines Gone Wild,’ but they are more than any one of those; they are all of them. Each flower is grown in my garden, planted to be painted, and is then carefully arranged in vases that are handmade or wheel thrown by me. They represent just one or two days of spring and summer. Jonquils and daffodils followed by tulips in riotous shapes and colors; then bleeding hearts, allium, irises, peonies, poppies, and lilies. Each is a poignant reminder of the fragility and the beauty of life, each a visual reminder of how precious yet precarious life is.

“Working in a style and medium completely different than those she uses for her watercolors, Lipkowitz also “finger paints” on the touch screen of her iPad to create vibrantly colored abstract images. She turns these images into limited edition prints.

This spring, Lipkowitz will be participating in a still life show at Spencertown Academy (790 NY-203 in Spencertown, NY) from May 21 to June 19. A show of her iPaintings will run” No. Six Depot Gallery and Cafe in W. Stockbridge from October 15- November 29, with a joint winter 2017 show with her husband, photographer, John Lipkowitz, at the gallery at the Berkshire School, Sheffield, MA. www.jewishberkshires.org.

