

# Denise Cail - Oil Painting

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## ABOUT THE ARTIST

Denise is a landscape/seascape artist living in Round Hill, Virginia with her husband and the proud mother of two grown children. Her paintings are known for their vibrant colors and soft elegant look. Denise was born and raised in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. She graduated from Acadia University with a BBA. For three years she studied art in an atelier like setting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada under the guidance of Doug Swinton and Erica Neumann, two of Canada's foremost representational artists. She spent an additional two years studying Painting and drawing at NOVA with Virginia artists Cathy Wilkin and Don Depuydt. It is her belief that the study of art is an on-going and never ending process in which we are always students. Although raised on the east coast of Canada Denise has lived in almost every province and major city in Canada, the South of France and is currently settled in Virginia. All of these places have left a mark on her that is evident when you view the eclectic mix of her subjects, from the Rocky Mountains, coastal seascapes, to the beauty of Virginia's changing seasons.

## ASSOCIATIONS AND AWARDS

Denise is a member of the Gateway Gallery and Gift Shop, the Loudoun sketch Club and the Loudoun County Arts Council. She has exhibited with the In To Art group in Calgary, Alberta, in feature shows with the Franklin Park Arts Center, The Hillsboro Winery, venues with the Loudoun Sketch Club and Leesburg first night. 2009 - awarded second place oil painting Loudoun Sketch Club annual show. Her art is in private collections in both the USA and Canada.



## PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am motivated to paint by the beauty that we see all around us everyday, both natural and man made. Through the use of sound technique combined with creativity I continually strive for excellence. When painting one feels transported to another place where there is a strong and honest relationship between your emotions, the subject and the canvas. For me painting is a journey of self-discovery and growth.