



Presents

Terri Withrow- Multi-Media Art, Including Watercolors & Jewelry-making

My earliest, and sweetest, memories as a child are of my Mother and me sitting on the edge of the river, creating from the 'stuff of the earth'. With twigs and stones, leaves and sand, and water from the river, we created little villages, miniature worlds. We spent many hours throughout our short time together sharing creative things and spiritual things. My mother taught me, when mixed-race subjects were taboo, of my Native American heritage. She instilled in me a sense of richness and of spirituality that has given me strength throughout my life.

My artistic journey and my spiritual journey are one. They are a beautiful dance that has, together, taught me many things. I have learned that Compassion is the greatest form of love. I have learned that art is a connection to the Divine. I have felt the 'Thousand Words' in all mediums of art. I have learned that the artist **must** create and, in that act of creating, the artist leaves his fingerprints and his soul print in his work. There are some that can feel this connection, some who are moved by the work of the artist's hands. And in this, this is where art becomes more than just 'stuff'. It is timeless and universal and it knows no bounds. It can fill a void, it can spark a memory, it can heal and give hope, and it can move one to tears and bring one to his knees....and it can connect to the Divine. I believe that we are 'Created in His image' and here, the key word is 'created'. We have been given, each of us, this precious gift of creativity and, through art, we are able to express our Divine Nature.

I have an interest in many mediums, including writing, and cannot choose just one. I find the 'creative process', all by itself, to be fascinating. Each medium expresses and evokes different things, so there will always be something new and different in my work.

My journey is rich and rewarding and joyful and I am grateful that, on each of our respective journeys, our paths have crossed.