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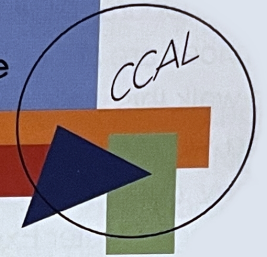
# A Passion for Art: Barbara Teusink

BY BARBARA TEUSINK, LOCAL RESIDENT



Barbara Teusink is an award-winning artist whose work is represented in

Crooked Creek Art League



private collections across the USA and in Canada. A contemporary realist, Barbara's subjects include still life, floral, portrait, figure, and landscape. When she was young, she loved drawing and creative pursuits. Later, she took the "sensible" route and earned a business degree. For many years, while working a series of demanding jobs and taking care of the house and husband, she put her artwork on hold. When she retired in 2012 from a professional career in educational technology, Barbara decided to rekindle her creative side and took up painting. She says, "There is so much to love in drawing and painting. Using line and color to create visual representations of the many glorious beauties in our world is magic to me. It's so rewarding to touch someone by having them be moved and drawn in by one of my works. I also love that there is always something more to learn and try. I enjoy experimenting with various techniques for representing diverse subject matter. I believe a passion for learning is vital in creating art and love discovering something new with each painting." Barbara is also very active in the local art community. She wears many hats in the Crooked Creek Art League and managed the highly successful "Sail into Chapin" community art project. Barbara continually seeks to improve through diligent self-study, weekly classes, and occasional workshops. She strives to capture and preserve the fleeting moments of life; an expression or gesture, the light, the season, or a striking arrangement of objects. Barbara lives in Chapin with her husband, dogs, and cat. You can see her work online at [BteusinkArt.com](http://BteusinkArt.com) and locally at Palmetto Fine



Arts in Chapin and High Noon in Ballantine. One of Barbara's pieces, "Hope" has been accepted into a wonderful initiative – The Great American Paint In. This online exhibit is a special project to document the 2020 world pandemic through the eyes of America's great artists. It recognizes artists and shares their pandemic stories and artwork. Check it out to see some great artwork and read some wonderful and inspirational stories: [www.thegreatpaint-in.com](http://www.thegreatpaint-in.com).