

## LINDA BLAKE

PAINTER

Linda Blake began painting in July of 2013, starting with acrylics and later venturing into the world of oils and recently has been exploring watercolors and pastels. Her passion is painting landscapes from the desert Southwest, as well as other scenes from her imagination and travels.

Her love of art came later in life after her 7th grade teacher told her "art isn't your thing." Decades later, a friend convinced her to take a one-evening art class, and she has been avidly painting ever since.

Because of her remote location, she is a self-taught artist and many of her techniques stem from the influences of artists via the Internet. She is now painting with local artists and enjoying their companionship and input.

Born in San Antonio, Texas, her career Navy father's job took her to places in her formative years such as Alaska, Hawaii, and southern California. She and her husband moved to the "Bootheel" area of New Mexico in 2013, where they live an enriching life, enjoying the dramatic and ever-changing vistas of the San Simon Valley with their three dogs and wonderful neighbors.









