

## **Marianne Mullen Bio**

As an emerging artist, Marianne's artist biography includes a lifelong relationship with creative expression. Marianne is a Middlesex, Vermont, based artist who works in mixed media to express the layers and complexities of being human. She is a self-taught artist and dedicated to a regular creative practice and enjoys creating with beginner's eyes to express her visual language.

Marianne has been making art for a decade in her home studio and enjoys inspiration from her studio pup, Hazel. She enjoys a variety of mediums to ignite her inner muse. By layering and texturing her artwork, Marianne brings deeper meaning and contemplation to her work. The connection between her intuitive process and final art pieces brings her a balance of her inner/outer worlds. Marianne's work unpacks, challenges and questions not only the typical use of materials but also how the exploration of art aligns with our shared human journeys.

Marianne works primarily in 2D mixed media, using acrylics, collage, and textural elements by trusting the compositions to find new and expressive qualities. Her art making demonstrates acceptance, trusting the process, letting go and stretching into the unknowns of possibility. Creativity fills her spirit for solitude work as well as supports relationship building with the art community.

Being an artist has been a journey filled with wonder, deep listening within, and exploring emotions with her work. She creates art to encourage and inspire people to use art for introspection, exploration and taking their own journey through our layers of being human.

Marianne currently works for the State of Vermont as a Continuous Improvement Manager. Marianne is a trained educator, facilitator, leader, creative coach, end-of-life-doula and currently training to be an interfaith spiritual director.

She has had her artwork shown in VT juried group shows including Catamount Arts, Satellite Gallery, White River Craft Center, Sparrow Art Gallery & Supply, S.P.A.C.E. Gallery, and Canal Street Gallery. Additionally Marianne's artwork has been juried into shows at Ava Gallery (NH) and ArtWise (ND). She has had solo shows ART,Etc, Elm Street Collective, and The Drawing Board. Marianne is a member of Studio Place Arts, Ava Gallery, Vermont Crafts Council and T.W. Wood Gallery.

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