



Tonia Hemme Fine Art Studio's



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About Me:

My name is Tonia Hemme and I started painting as a small child and never stopped. I grew up in the Atwater/ Merced area and married a young GI stationed at Castle AFB. I opened up my first art teaching studio when I was about 26 years old when we were in Texas. I have always stayed active in art everywhere we lived with local art groups and community centers. I am a self-taught artist, I learned from books, tv, other artists and trial and error. In my many years of art I have used almost all mediums and styles. I have won numerous awards and honors for my work in many competitions and shows over the years and have taught art in a few states.

I love teaching what I have learned over the years and just love all things ART.

About My Class:

It is designed to teach students of all levels. In class you will have the chance to learn the fundamentals or advanced technique of drawing, painting, mixed media and more. The class will focus on improving dexterity, creativity, knowledge, form and sensitivity with drawing and art materials.



1. **DRAWING: On paper**

- Materials available: Paper, pencils, pastels soft & hard, colored pencil, watercolor pencil & more.
- Technique you can learn: Shading, perspective, contrast, light direction, form, composition, terms, styles, texture and more.
- I usually have student start out with a watercolor pencil drawing/painting, for us to get to know each other and for me to see their ability so I know how to go forward.

2. **PAINTING: On canvas**

- Materials available: Watercolors, acrylic paint, small canvas, brushes, aprons and more.
- Techniques you can learn: Composition, blending, styles, texture, terms, development of a painting, contrast, light direction, can use a still life or paint from a photo, and much more.
- I usually have the student start a black and white painting there first class for us to get to know each other and for me to see their ability so I know how to go forward.



3. **Vocabulary and terms:** The students will learn vocabulary and terms as they go. Associated with the artistic process and techniques in areas they are learning.

4. **Homework:** There is none but I encourage students to have a sketchbook at home and draw everyday if possible, and to bring it in for me to see from time to time. It also helps to see improvement and show how far they have come

Students will learn methods of drawing or painting while deepening their understanding of light, form, and three dimensional space, color and technique. In this class you can be introduced to many various aspects of Art. There is no grading and everyone may work at their own pace and work will be catered to their needs. My classes are not curriculum based and will be tailored to the artist's skill level and need.

Overall, my class is designed to develop the creative process and to derive the meaning of art. During their time with me, students will create artwork and explore the methods and media used to create art. Class is structured to develop skills in technique, color, methods, improving dexterity, use different mediums and learn some knowledge of art as they go.

I supply all the supplies necessary to learn. You may purchase more or larger canvas if the student wants, for a special project or need. No supplies leave the art room without teacher's permission.

