

claire giblin

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About the Artist

Lancaster County artist, Claire Giblin, was born and educated in New York City. She studied fine art under the tutelage of artist and historian, Vincent Mercaldo, attended and studied fine art (studio) and art history at F.I.T., Lebanon Valley College, Millersville University and Franklin & Marshall College. She earned a Certificate in Fine Art Appraisal at NYU. Giblin is the recipient of national and regional awards in art, and is listed in Who's Who in the Arts, Who's Who in America, Who's Who of American Women. Giblin was honored as 2003 "Woman of the Year" by the Women's Center at Franklin & Marshall College. She has curated exhibitions, led workshops and studios, participated in government funded exhibitions, solo shows, joint, invitational, national and international juried exhibits, museum and gallery exhibitions in the US, Spain, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Turkey and Korea, and has served as juror and panelist for art organizations and the Pennsylvania Council of the Arts. Her work is in national and international corporate, museum and private collections. She has taught in her studio, at workshops and in curriculum. Claire is former co-owner and Director of Pfenninger Gallery in Lancaster City. She is currently Curator of Exhibitions at the Phillips Museum of Art on the campus of Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster where she has taught introductory painting and workshops in professional practices, and facilitates a weekly life-drawing studio.

Method

I paint using small amounts of pigment suspended in acrylic mediums, building up the canvas with thin layers of color. The effect is a floating and elusive atmosphere. I have found that applying layer after layer of paint allows me to experience a meditative state. This frees my mind to concentrate on a poetry of color—an intuitive process with very gratifying results.

Giblin donates 10% of all proceeds from the sale of her artwork to charities which support the homeless, including The Bowery Mission in New York City and the Water Street Rescue Mission in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.