

Nancy Dougherty

Watercolor

Pomfret Center, CT



I grew up on a dairy farm in Pomfret, CT. 4-H was a large part of my childhood as a member of cooking, sewing and cattle clubs. I graduated from Putnam High School and Hartford Hospital School of Nursing. I have lived in Charlottesville, Virginia, Devon England and have resided in my hometown of Pomfret, CT since 1967. My professional career was in nursing at UVA and Day Kimball Hospital, employed at the latter as Emergency

Department Nurse Manager for 22 years, retiring in 1996.

As a child I loved to draw and have always been creative with sewing, quilting, and crafts, but due to my busy nursing career and raising a family, I did not find the time to pursue art until retirement. I then joined a craft club, started flower gardening and quilting. Jacquie Lucier inspired me with her lovely paintings and taught me the basic techniques of watercolor. I also took lessons from Gillian Gordon and for many years was a student of Patricia Browne. Currently I am taking lessons from Janet Zeh. I have no formal art education. I usually paint in watercolor, but have done a few mixed media works and some pen & ink. I am learning to see things as never before.

I consider myself to be a continual art student. I love being a participating member of the Northeastern Connecticut Art Guild. It affords learning experiences and sharing of ideas with other artists, as well as opportunities to exhibit and sell my art. I truly relax and become totally absorbed when producing art. My favorite subjects are family members and friends, animals, old farm implements, barns, trees and flowers.

My maternal great, great grandfather, James Jones Sawyer and my maternal grandmother, Jenny Flye were significant artists. At this late stage of my life some inherited genes would be helpful!

