

ART Process: Pastel Floral Painting . . . Step by Step Art Process

Little Sun, Garden Discovery, 8x8 pastel floral painting by Cindy Morawski

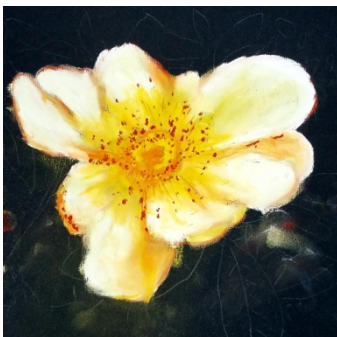
Step 1: Take a photo. Crop and plan painting with chosen viewpoint and select materials needed.



Step 2: Sketch and draw flower with pastel pencil on 8x8 black UArt sanded paper on board. Start an underpainting with Nupastel on the center's focal point.



Step 3: Reference value study. Continue with using planned palette colors of warms and cools. Begin layering in the petals of flower with soft pastels. Mark-making: add lines to separate petals and center. Add more intense warms for center as well.



Step 4: Continue with a painterly approach. Apply broad strokes for flower petals. Blend petals and petals on edges of composition. Start working on leaves for background. Add more details in flower and background.



Step 5: Finish painting by using highlights with soft pastels and blending in areas needed. Brighten colors in areas marked by sunlight. Darken areas and leaves in background that should be in shadow.



***Note:** I worked on this painting this past spring during the stay-at-home quarantine due to covid 19. I posted the painting using Constant Contact on April 20, 2020. I was fundraising for the San Antonio Food Bank. I sold this floral painting to Eloise Burford. She received a thank you from the San Antonio Food Bank and one from me. I donated 50% of my art sales to the Food Bank in April. I raised about \$500 for the Food Bank through my Art Show and Sale.