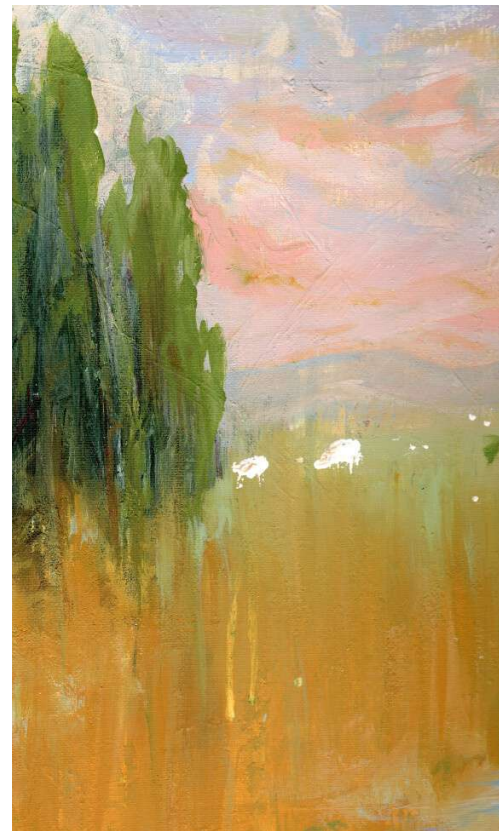
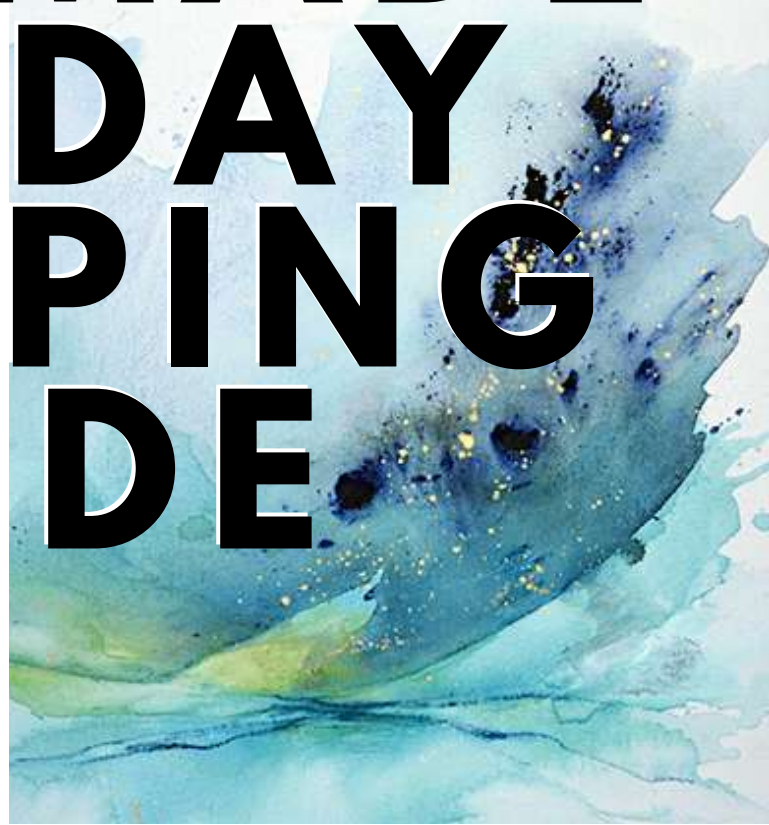
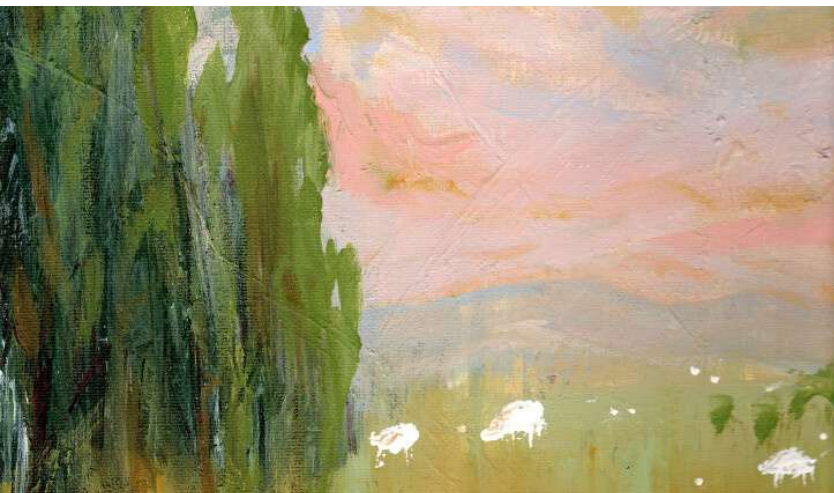


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# HANDMADE HOLIDAY SHOPPING GUIDE



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# ABOUT



We're starting to see a beautiful trend - across the nation and the world, people are beginning to look towards buying handmade and supporting small businesses. As the holiday season approaches, many of us want to take that step, but feel unsure of where to start.

I've been lucky to have found a rich online community of fellow makers. Some of the artists in this guide I know personally, others I simply admire from afar, but all have one thing in common: they have a passion for creating incredible art.

Throughout the three sections of this guide - painters, illustrators and hand-crafters - I have endeavored to highlight a diverse range of voices, including women, LGBT+ folks, and people of color. These are people at all stages of their art career whose art speaks to me on a personal level, who are doing wonderful things in their community, and who I believe deserve recognition and support.

When you purchase from an independent artist, you are helping to keep their dream alive and allowing them to continue to share their work with the world. From the bottom of my heart: THANK YOU for supporting us!

Whether you're looking for small, budget-friendly prints or an original work as a statement piece, you're sure to find something in this catalog as artists stock (and re-stock) their shops for the holidays. So download this guide, cozy up with a warm drink, and make a wishlist (for yourself and your loved ones!) Don't forget to share this, too, so everybody can have a chance to find unique, heartfelt, one-of-a-kind gifts this holiday season.

xoxo  
Kris Orion Rose

# **PAINTERS**

The painters in this section feature a wide array of styles, from abstract to traditional realism, and utilize everything from oils to acrylics to watercolors in their work. Although they vary greatly in subject matter and style, one thing they all have in common is their passion for creating beautiful, unique works of art which will add joy and life to your home or the homes of your loved ones.

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**Taylor Lee**



# AMIRA RAHIM

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Art for me was always a hobby, my escape from the pressures of school, from other people, a cathartic exercise I'd do when I needed to get away. It wasn't something I even considered when it came to picking a college major or a career. Instead, I studied for law school, fell in love with sociology, and painted when I needed a reprieve.

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And though I was fairly good at realism, I couldn't get it to the expressive qualities I wanted. I was too tight, or technically good, as they say.

Fortunately, I took some advice and gave abstract art—i.e. painting my emotions—a try. I took an old beach scene I'd done and added crazy colors to it. I called it *Heat Wave*, and almost as soon as I shared it, four people asked to buy it—it was the start of my career.

Since then, I've learned to trust the process. I've slowed down. I've taken breaks. And what keeps me coming back is this human desire to be seen, to expose my innermost self and share her with others. Painting is my way of honoring my time on earth. It's my way of paying homage to the human experience. And it's a process that moves me every day.





# AUDRÉE MARSOLAIS

*Telling stories with colours / Paying tribute to nature through painting. Its omnipresence is a reminder that hope + beauty continuously surround us.*

Creativity and a great fascination for colors, shapes, patterns, textures and nature have always been part of my life. My childhood, living in a house by the river, surrounded by wildflowers fields in a small Canadian town was filled with stashes of paper, color pencils and paint.

It wasn't until 2013, when I took a life-changing intuitive painting class that I realized I wanted to take my art practice to the next level. A move from Canada to the UAE helped me clear my intention to become a full-time artist and help others to reconnect with their profound essence through creativity. I'm now dedicating my time to the two most important things in my life - my four sons and my art - living a grateful life in the beautiful emirate of Ras al-Khaimah and I wake up every day trying to make the world a more colorful and inspiring place.

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**Shop: [audreemarsolais.com](http://audreemarsolais.com)**





# BROOKE PETERMANN

**Instagram:**

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**Shop: [brookepetermann.com](http://brookepetermann.com)**

hello, dear friend. my name is brooke.

i've been making art for the last fifteen years.

my paintings are a proclamation of hope. my paintings are a hymn of motherhood. my art explores the ways the two stories can come together and build on one another. by putting my brush to the page, i am letting loose the words that are too often unsaid and the beauty of the small things that are so commonly overlooked.

acrylic paint on wood panel and collage with painted paper are my media of choice.

in may of 2019, i had "a moment" while visiting an art museum with my sister. there were two particular exhibits that tugged at my artist-heartstrings and wouldn't let me go. as i walked away, all i could think was, "why have i not been painting?" and "who am i to so casually set aside this gift that god has given me?" he has given me JOY in creating and i don't want to ignore that gift any longer. so here i am. loving every minute that i am privileged to grasp a paintbrush.





# CLAIR BREMNER

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**Instagram:**  
**@clairbremner**

**Shop:**  
**clairbremnerart.**  
**com/shop**





# DEEANN RIEVES

I am a contemporary artist working with mixed media, acrylic, and abstraction.

I am drawn to mixed media because you can draw and paint simultaneously, switching from one medium to another as each layer transforms the piece. I love the juxtaposition of luscious brush strokes with carefree chalk contours and subtle colored pencil lines.

In all of my paintings, I use a sewing technique called free-motion machine embroidery on top of painted papers and then incorporate those papers as collage. I love the way the stitched lines sit on top of the layered paint forms, embellishing each piece with texture and delicate lines.

**Instagram:**  
**@deeanrievs**

**Shop:**  
**deeanrievs.com**





# EMILY JEFFORDS

I am an abstract impressionistic painter, creative educator, & writer living in Greenville, South Carolina with my husband, two little girls, & baby boy. My studio is based in a historic 1890's white-washed, light-filled mill house called the White Whale Studios.

Painting brings me peace and offers me a place to meditate on the beauty in the world & the grace I feel while living in it.

*My highest goal is to convey that same peace and grace to the viewer, offering a moment or pause & a feeling of deep belonging.*

**Instagram:**  
**@emily\_jeffords**

**Shop:**  
**emilyjeffords.com**





# JESSI RAULET / ETTA VEE

*We are an online boutique specializing in original fine art and art prints. Our pieces offer up bright and bold colors - adding a vibrant pop of happy to your home!*

Artist, designer and social media influencer, Jessi Raulet, has become well known for her hand-painted, bright and bold designs. With an ability to craft vibrantly optimistic color palettes, Jessi's work is packed with good vibes.

Born and raised in Indiana, Jessi began her love affair with color at the age of four and has been creating ever since. She moved to San Francisco where she worked as an art director in advertising for top Bay Area clients. In 2013, she moved to Paris for love where she started creating colorful fine art pieces and designs to brighten up her surroundings; and thus the vibrant world of EttaVee was born. Jessi is inspired by life in France, travel adventures, tropical settings, colorful fruit and pop culture. She also works as a freelance art director.

Instagram @ettavee  
Shop: [ettavee.com/](http://ettavee.com/)





# JULIANNE STROM BRILL / MOSS AND BLUE

Instagram [@mossandblue](https://www.instagram.com/mossandblue)

Shop: [mossandblue.com/shop](https://mossandblue.com/shop)

Julianne's work is heavily influenced by the colors, textures, and rhythms of the natural world. Her work is created and released in 'series,' or a group of paintings that all share the same inspirational starting point. Some of her most recent collections have been inspired by her travels, unknown landscapes, and the journey into new motherhood.





# KEZZ BRETT

Instagram @kezzbrett

Shop: [jumbledonline.com/  
collections/kezz-brett](https://jumbledonline.com/collections/kezz-brett)

*Lover of colour & paint!*

[My aesthetic is] very colourful and bold – just like my clothing, and my home. I think people should buy art because they like it, not necessarily because it needs to match or make sense. I can make anything work – it's just a matter of a small vase or cushion to pull things together.





# KRIS ORION ROSE

**Instagram: @orionroseart**

**Shop: [orionrose.weebly.com/shop](http://orionrose.weebly.com/shop)**

*Painter • Writer • Holistic Traveler*

*I travel the world and paint what I see.*

My art is inspired by my adventures around the globe, and lovingly created to bring light and whimsy into the world. From winter kayaking in the waters off the coast of California to hiking the red deserts of Australia and the American Southwest, each painting is a love story deeply rooted in my passion for nature.

My ultimate goal is to learn to be happy and live in love, and to teach this to others. I've found what makes me happy, and now I'm sharing it with you! Through my journeys, I've discovered that there is love and joy in the universe just waiting for us all to find. I want you to know that you are worthy of happiness and love.

Be it through my art or my writing, my hope is that in some way I am able to guide you towards finding your own joy, peace and empowerment--so that you may live your best life, and give this back to all people, too.



# LAURA WOOD

I am a painter living in Toronto, Ontario with my husband and two young daughters. I was born in Ontario, Canada and received my BFA at the University of Waterloo.

My work is an investigation into image and perception, touching on the ambiguity of texts - photographic, painterly or mnemonic, creating an encounter open to interpretation. I use glazing techniques, creating layers which capture a rich glow of light and a depth of colour. I am constantly drawn to light and strive to always be living in it.

My work has been exhibited across Canada and the United States and is included in many international collections.

**"There is something meditative about the act of painting itself. The simple gesture. The physicality and repetition of it. Mark making after mark making. Soft blendings. The viscosity and smell of the oils. It triggers something in me, shutting out all the noise of the day."**

Instagram

[@laurawood.ca](https://www.instagram.com/laurawood.ca)

Shop:

[laurawood.ca](https://www.laurawood.ca)



# LAUREN BRANDY

*california dreamer | small oil + watercolor paintings*

A self-taught artist, romantic and mom seeking happiness in everyday life.

I love a good sunset, billowy clouds and endless horizons. All three are right outside my door here in Northern California, bringing me inspiration and joy. When I'm not painting, you can usually find me working with clay, reading cheesy fiction or talking to my dogs.

**Instagram**

**@laurenbrandyart**

**Shop:**

**laurenbrandy.com  
/shop**







# MELISSA DOTY

Instagram [@melissadoty.art](https://www.instagram.com/melissadoty.art)

Shop: [melissadoty.com/collections/all](https://melissadoty.com/collections/all)

Hello there! My name is Melissa, but you can call me Mel! I have had pen in hand as a near-constant doodler for over 40 years now, but it wasn't until 2016 that I began to draw or paint - most days - with intention. Is it cliché to say that I've always dreamed of being an artist? Probably, but that's my story. Fear of failure held me back. But then: watercolors! I was immediately hooked by their finicky magic and could not put the paintbrush down.

I am self-taught and currently spend each day in my basement studio making up for lost time. The majority of my work is watercolor and acrylic gouache, but I want to try it all! At the moment, I am working on bold, graphicky florals and geometric patterns, with the occasional West Virginia landscape for good measure. I try to create something every day. It connects me to others in ways I could not have foreseen, and I think that has been the best part of (finally) living a creative, genuine life.





# RACHEL'S SHOPPE

Instagram [@rachelsshoppe.co](https://www.instagram.com/rachelsshoppe.co)

Shop Originals: [rachelsshoppe.com/shoppe](https://www.rachelsshoppe.com/shoppe)

Shop Prints: [greenboxart.com/artist/rachel-christopoulos.html](https://www.greenboxart.com/artist/rachel-christopoulos.html)

Rachel's Shoppe is comprised of one artist (Rachel) sharing her creative spirit through paintings, workshops, and humor. She often describes herself as an old soul, coffee addict, and a dreamer (though she's not the only one). As a Wisconsin native living on the outskirts of Milwaukee, Rachel's art is constantly being inspired by the energy of the big city. Though she paints a variety of subjects, her artwork focuses on blending the familiar with new ideas and bright colors to create an individualistic play on everyday life. With a passion for painting and a love for encouraging other emerging artists, Rachel uses her talent with a brush to infuse lives with inspiration & lighthearted artwork.





# TAYLOR LEE

Instagram @taylorleepaints

Shop: [taylorleepaints.com](https://taylorleepaints.com)

*I paint flowers to revive what has been lost. Let's come alive.*

I am influenced by Gothic literature, the dark side of Romanticism which explores themes of madness and isolation, gruesome narratives, and supernatural elements. I find a lot of ideas in works like Christina Rossetti's narrative poem "Goblin Market" (1862) and Shirley Jackson's gothic-inspired *The Haunting of Hill House* (1959). I relate to these themes in my own experience with bipolar disorder, which has at times left me feeling paranoid, agoraphobic, and haunted. I have felt like Bronte's "madwoman in the attic" during my worst, and it has given me empathy for the years my grandmother spent in growing seclusion as the dementia closed her off from the world.

My style of painting is influenced by the painterly style of the Romantics and the Impressionists. Unrefined outlines, unrestrained brushstrokes, and the emphasis on color over form infuse my work with an energy and immediacy. I prefer for my paintings to be viewed at a distance, so that the brushstrokes mix optically in the viewers' eye rather than via blending on the canvas.

She is one of Honeybook's "20 On The Rise." As a mental health advocate, Taylor works to raise awareness and reduce the stigma surrounding neurodiversity by sharing her own journey with Bipolar Disorder.

# ILLUSTRATORS

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**Jennifer Parent**

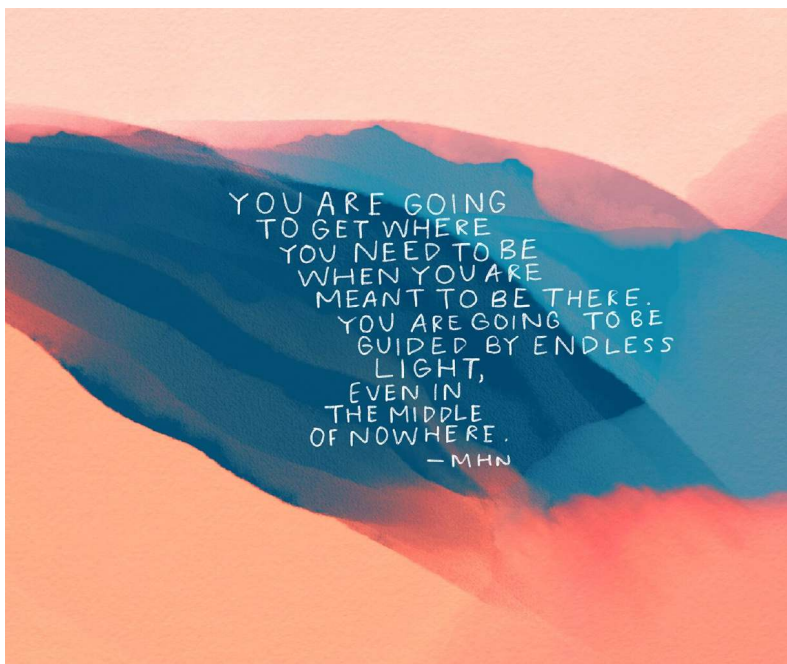
**Jesi**

**Loveis Wise**

**Morgan Harper Nichols /  
Garden 24**

**Roeqiya Fris**

**Vanja Vukelic / Merakilabbe**



# FRANCESCA DAMKAR

Instagram @fadartworkpage  
Shop: [redbubble.com/people/fadartwork](https://www.redbubble.com/people/fadartwork)

Francesca Damkar is an illustrator from Hollister, California, specializing in comics, comic strips, fantastical worlds, talking animals, humor and life in the twentieth century. She graduated from the Academy of Art University in 2017 with a BFA in illustration with a focus in comics. She also works as a writer, writing short stories, poems, and novels. When not working on her illustrations or written works, she pursues her other passions of cooking/baking, archery, traveling and spending time with her family. She also dedicates her time to volunteering at her local library.





# JENNIFER PARENT

Instagram @jenlynnparent

Shop: [etsy.com/shop/jenlynnparent](https://www.etsy.com/shop/jenlynnparent)

Hi there! I'm Jennifer but I also go by Jen :)



My "artist journey": In 2012, after rediscovering my love for art, I started teaching myself design hoping to become a graphic designer. Over time, I realized I felt so much more joy when I just drew the things I liked. I would draw flowers, clouds, houses and anything that just made me happy. I decided I really wanted to be an illustrator. After a couple of years of drawing and learning, I decided I wanted to make art for people and not just myself. I want to make things that someone might use, wear or decorate their rooms with, something that might provoke nostalgia or something people felt a special connection with.

My main subjects are plants and nature because they always make me happy and I love spending as much time outside as I can! I also find a lot of my inspiration from antique shops and the children's book section in old bookstores. My goal is to share everything I create so I can add some extra happiness and color to your lives



# JESI

Instagram @jesiiii  
Shop: [etsy.com/shop/jesiiii/](https://www.etsy.com/shop/jesiiii/)

Hello! I'm Jesi -  
I am an illustrator / painter /  
maker of quirky art for happy  
hearts.

My shop is filled with handmade, hand  
painted, and printed goodies that are  
colorful, happy, and 100% designed  
by lil ol' me.

My days are typically spent in my  
home studio space in Columbus, Ohio  
(with my fluffy sidekick, Digby) -  
drawing, painting, and crafting the fun  
little things you see in my shop.





# LOVEIS WISE

Instagram @loveiswiseillu

Shop:

[etsy.com/shop/loveiswise](https://www.etsy.com/shop/loveiswise)

Los Angeles-based

Illustrator

Designer

Queer whose name is a sentence

Pronounced simply as

Love•is Wise

they/them/all





YOU ARE GOING  
TO GET WHERE  
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MEANT TO BE THERE.  
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GUIDED BY ENDLESS  
LIGHT,  
EVEN IN  
THE MIDDLE  
OF NOWHERE.  
— MHN

# MORGAN HARPER NICHOLS / GARDEN 24

Instagram  
@morganharpernichols  
& @garden24co

Shop: [garden24.co](https://garden24.co)

*Prints, apparel, and more by artist, writer, and designer Morgan Harper Nichols.*

In 2017, Morgan started a project where she invites people to submit their stories to her website. From there, she creates art inspired by what they send her, and then, sends them the art, for free. Nearly everything Morgan creates and shares today is from this project, and she always keeps the names and stories anonymous. The fruit of this project is shared daily around social media, in publications, on murals, and more.

Based in Southern California.





# ROEQIYA FRIS

Instagram @roeqie  
Shop: [etsy.com/shop/roeqie](https://www.etsy.com/shop/roeqie)

*Dutch/Egyptian illustrator*

Inspired by Arab culture, worldly travel and nature, her scenes radiate with vibrant color, boldly mixed patterns, and strong femininity. Her artwork depicts diversity, female friendships and sisterhood.





# VANJA VUKELIĆ / MERAKILABBE

Instagram [@merakilabbe](https://www.instagram.com/merakilabbe)

Shop: [merakilabbe.ca/offerings](https://merakilabbe.ca/offerings)

*mystical paintings and narratives for personal & planetary healing*

I grew up in a small town Vares in the Balkan Peninsula surrounded by the revered mountains: the Star and the Stone People, The Gate, and Perun - the highest deity of Slavic Paganism and creator of light. Being raised on the spiritual reservoir of the Great Spirit and many Earth kin-beings i cultivated a sense of expanded inner seeing in the physical and the world of dreams. I've dwelled in the realm of image all my life, taught myself to draw and decided to embody the dream archeologist within me and translate my inner excavations in hope of assisting the collective in evolution of human experience and healing. Reoccurring mystical themes of transfiguration into plant-human hybrids and anthropomorphic flowers all tie into the message of my work: the interconnectedness of humans and the world. In painting, I work predominantly with pen and ink while symbolically stimulating the flowering of ones own intuition and the worlds unseen, so that we may recover our soul and anchor in the light within our own forms.

5% of all monthly art sales will be donated to Amazon Watch in order to raise eco-consciousness and defend the rights of indigenous peoples and all life in the Amazon Basin.

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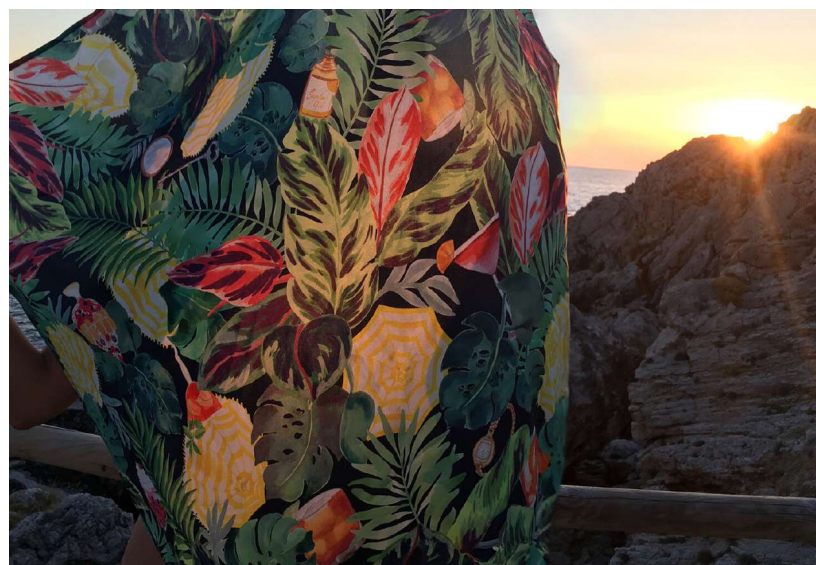
**Angela McKay / Ohkii Studio  
Earth & Ivory**

**Helen Armstrong /  
Old Soul Adornment**

**Johanna Sprague**

**Polly Hlavac Pritz /  
The Folklohr**

**Roxy Roxanne /  
Invisible Practices**





# ALISA BURKE

Instagram @alisakburke  
Shop: [shopalisaburke.com](http://shopalisaburke.com)

*artist. author. teacher. northcoast.*

Alisa Burke is a freelance painter and mixed media artist who studied fine art at Portland State University. With a background in painting and printmaking, a desire to explore and push materials, Alisa is always looking for new ways to break the rules and redefine art. She draws inspiration from street art, graffiti, art history and fashion and it is not uncommon to find her digging through the trash in hopes of recycling something unique to use in her artwork.





# ANGELA MCKAY / OHKII STUDIO

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**Shop: [ohkiistudio.com](http://ohkiistudio.com)**

Ohkii Studio was created by Angela Mckay, a surface pattern designer and illustrator based in Brooklyn, New York. Originally hailing from the sunny shores of Australia and the humid tropics of Thailand, she brings her unique illustrations together to create a fun and diverse range for Ohkii Studio.

She draws her inspiration from many places including the natural world, overseas travel adventures, folk tales and old murder mystery novels. Her work is defined by its handmade qualities, all pieces are drawn and painted by hand before being screen or digitally printed.

Above all, she enjoys creating things that can make you smile.





# EARTH & IVORY

Instagram @earthandivory

Shop: [etsy.com/shop/EarthAndIvory](https://www.etsy.com/shop/EarthAndIvory)

*To make, To inspire, To enjoy*

Macrame and polymer clay earrings

Home-based business in Tampa, Florida





# HELEN ARMSTRONG / OLD SOUL ADORNMENT

Instagram @oldsouladornment

Shop:

[oldsouladornment.com/collections](https://oldsouladornment.com/collections)

Handcrafted sacred adornments to support ritual and yogic practice, by artist and maker Helen Armstrong, based in the North of England, inspired by the healing potential of plant allies, archetypal imagery, folk medicine and Earth-based spirituality. I am committed to seeking earth positive ways in which to show up in the world, celebrating, creating and supporting low impact arts and handicraft and the preservation and understanding of the natural environment.







# JOHANNA SPRAGUE

Instagram

@johannaspraguedesign

Shop: [johannasprague.com](http://johannasprague.com)

## *Interior Design & Sustainable Art*

With a discerning eye and focus on financial and environmental sustainability, she curates harmonious spaces that help people feel supported, healthy and inspired to thrive.

Her artwork is an amalgam of pieces from all over the world merged to create one of a kind installations, decor, sculpture and jewelry. She melds refined and ordinary elements while delivering an unexpected elegance that engages people to consider a more balanced relationship with nature, art and material choices.

In gratitude, a percentage of all artwork sales are donated to the Natural Resources Defense Council in an effort to preserve the landscapes that inspire her work.





# POLLY HLAVAC PRITZ / THE FOLKLOHR

Instagram @thefolklohr

Shop:

[etsy.com/shop/thefolklohr](https://www.etsy.com/shop/thefolklohr)

*Keeping it legendary one handmade item at a time.  
embroidery • vintage • florida folk*

I embroider everything from Bill Murray to your family pet. Specializing in customs, cult classics and modern day folklores. Anything that is a legend to you I make come to life. All embroideries are hand drawn and hand-embroidered, which makes each piece truly one of a kind.

As a FL native, this brand has also been influenced by all things old Florida, sparking the vintage inspired folk tees + embroideries. It took me 28 years to truly appreciate this state.. Once you get past the love bugs and death heat, it ain't that bad.

You can find The Folklohr at local markets and shops throughout the country.





# ROXY ROXANNE / INVISIBLE PRACTICES

*Intuitive counseling and botanically dyed goods.*

**Instagram**  
**@invisiblepractices**  
**Shop:**  
**[roxanneroxannedesigns.com/collections/all](https://roxanneroxannedesigns.com/collections/all)**

*Building relationships with self and community through creation with the natural world.*

Roxanne Brodeur Young is an intuitive counselor and fiber artist who creates hand dyed wall art, jewelry and art to wear. She also offers one-on-one and group workshops in accessing and building intuition and heart intelligence through developing relationships with the natural world. She works with natural fibers, procion dye, and plant dyes inspired by the seasonal colors and happenings that surround the open spaces of the Sacramento Delta. As an aspiring western herbalist, Roxanne works closely with the plants she harvests to develop a relationship to fully appreciate and utilize their energetic and physical medicine. She portrays her personal lessons and messages in her art through color, images and poetry. She harvests local plants from her private garden and community.

Roxanne lives and works in between San Francisco and the tiny, historic town of Isleton, Ca on the Sacramento Delta. She currently teaches flower essence and natural dye workshops throughout Sacramento and the SF Bay Area and beyond.