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ARTIST STATEMENT

Life is a journey and it can be hard at times, but if something gives us joy during that journey, how can we not embrace it and run with it? Well, when I stumbled upon the technique of acrylic pouring, I tried it and I haven't looked back. I feel a child-like joy in the process of creating each painting, similar to what I experienced when I watched Walt Disney's musical, *Fantasia*, where the music and the colors combined to create wonderful images.

Much thought and planning goes into each effort - the colors to be used and the choice of pouring medium(s) in the process of mixing the paint, the size of the canvas, where on the canvas the paints are poured, as well as the method to be used to manipulate either the paint or the canvas, or both, to obtain the desired effects. I have used multiple techniques such as swiping the paint across the canvas, the power of an ordinary hair dryer to push the paint, and using the earth's gravity to move the paint over the canvas. There remain other techniques that I plan to experiment with in the future.

During the creative process I am in awe at how the colors blend and produce forms that will never be replicated again.

Each painting interacts with the imagination of the viewer to produce a portrayal of everything from the depths of the ocean to the galaxies of the universe.

I find great satisfaction in creating paintings that bring pleasure to others.