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I enjoy and cherish the ability to share my vision and feelings with my viewers. When people express emotions they experienced with my art I feel that I have reached them, and that is the greatest reward to me.

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The most vivid memories I have of my childhood were the many days I spent painting, sculpting and drawing. My immigration from Ukraine to the United States changed many things for me. I am thankful for the opportunity to do something I love and be able to express myself in a way that is, I hope, inspirational to others.

Shortly after moving to Chicago, I was introduced to Leon Oks, an artist whose work has inspired me greatly. I have been taking art lessons in his studio for several years. Leon has helped me free my mind and express myself in ways I never thought possible. I am no longer afraid to use my imagination and feelings in my artwork. Most of my paintings are done in oil, which is my favorite medium.

My love of art brought me to the beautiful world of graphic design, which I take pleasure in as much as in fine art. In my career in this field I have progressed from a graphic designer to art director, managing design and production of a number of monthly magazines over the years. In 1999 I received a "A+ Graphics Award" First place for the Best Illustrations for a feature in Tracking Technology magazine.

After many years of hard work and determination I was finally able to live out my dream. My company – Art & Beyond Studio, Inc. – was established in 2003. I'm Honored Member of the Cambridge Who's Who Registry of Executives and Professionals, and the Hamilton's Who's Who in the "Artist" field. Also I'm a member of the Chicago Artists Coalition, the Skokie Art Guild, the Elmhurst Artists' Guild and am a member of the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce.

Recently two of my works: In Full Bloom, 20 x 20 and Morning Touch, 18 x 24 have been published in the Best of America Oil Artists. Volume II.

The door to my studio is open to anyone who has the desire to learn and understand the world that surrounds us through the art.



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EXHIBITIONS

- 2010 Group Art Show, Naked July Festival at The National Pastime Theater, Chicago, IL
- 2010 Group Art Show, Emily Oaks Natural Center, Skokie, IL
- 2009 Female Form. Benefiting "Making Strides" Against Breast Cancer at Karen Solem Gallery, Elmhurst, IL
- 2009 Juried Group Art Show, Evanston Art Walk, Evanston, IL
- 2009 everyBODY, Group Themed Show, Karen Solem Gallery, Elmhurst, IL
- 2009 Group Art Show, Naked July Festival at The National Pastime Theater, Chicago, IL
- 2009 Juried Group Art Show, Highland Park Art Walk, Highland Park, IL
- 2009 Permanent Exhibition at Morton Grove American Legion Memorial Civic Center, Morton Grove, IL
- 2008 Harmony & Beauty, Featuring Works by Artist Mila, Gallery Andrea, Scottsdale, AZ
- 2008 Female Form and Breast Cancer Fund Raiser at Karen Solem Gallery, Elmhurst, IL
- 2008 "Exotica Erotica" Group Art Show at Effe Leven Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2008 Group Art Show at IL Fiasco, Chicago, IL
- 2007 One woman show at Morton Grove Public Library
- 2007 NSAL, Group Show, Winnetka, IL
- 2007 EAG Spring Member's Show, Elmhurst Artist's Guild Gallery, Elmhurst, IL
- 2007 American Legion Memorial Civic Center, Morton Grove IL
- 2006 American Legion Memorial Civic Center, Morton Grove IL
- 2006 Devonshire JCC, Solo Show, Skokie, IL
- 2006 Art & Beyond Studio, Solo Show, Morton Grove. IL
- 2006 Skokie Public Library, Skokie Art Guild Show, Skokie, IL
- 2005 Chicago Open. Group Art Show, Chicago, IL
- 2005 Group Art Show, Sponsored by Computer Systems Institute, Skokie, IL
- 2004 Skokie Public Library, Skokie Art Guild Show, Skokie, IL
- 2004 Art Show sponsored by "New Life" Radio Station, Nilis, IL
- 2004 Art&Beyond Studio, Group Show, Morton Grove, IL
- 2004 Artosphere, Glenveiw, IL
- 2003 Art&Beyond Studio, Group Show, Morton Grove, IL
- 2003 Skokie Public Library, Skokie Art Guild Show, Skokie, IL
- 2003 Skokie Heritage Museum, Group Art Show, Skokie, IL
- 2002 JCC, Group Art Show, Chicago, IL
- 2002 Liberty Bank, Solo Show, Lincolnwood, IL
- 2001 Bank One, Solo Show, Skokie, IL
- 2001 Skokie Public Library, Skokie Art Guild Show, Skokie, IL



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