

Karen Thomas, Accidental Artist

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Karen is an abstract artist who uses various mediums, techniques and tools to create diversity in her work.

She was born in a farm house in Jameson, Missouri and her family moved to Overland Park, Kansas in 1953 where she grew up and attended school, graduating Shawnee Mission West High School in 1968.

Working full time and raising a daughter, she dabbled in art occasionally for personal use, but has never attended art classes. She is self taught.

In November, 2018 Karen became interested in paint pouring on canvas and was immediately hooked! She began selling her paintings in May of 2019 and her work was accepted to her first art gallery at that time. She has since expanded and diversified her style.

She says she was inspired to follow her journey after reading about famous artist Grandma Moses who started painting at the age of 76. She had her first one woman art show in New York City in 1940 at the age of 80.

Previously Karen's paintings have been accepted and displayed in the following galleries:

InterUrban ArtHouse, Overland Park, KS

The 2010 Gallery, formerly Leawood, KS

Jones Gallery, Kansas City, MO

Images Art Gallery, Overland Park, KS

Currently her paintings are on display at the following::

Bill's Art Center & Gallery, Business Hwy. 5, Camdenton, MO;

The Gallelry in OakStar Bank, Business Hwy. 5, Camdenton, MO;

Lake Art Council, Stone Crest Mall, Osage Beach Pkwy., Osage Beach, MO;

Lake Fine Art Academy & Galleria, Osage Beach Pkwy., Osage Beach, MO.

Great Stone Coffee, Hwy KK, Osage Beach, MO