

Carol Cavalaris

Carol Cavalaris lives in the middle of a forest in the high country of Colorado. It is the wild beauty of her surroundings that inspires her digital paintings of wildlife and alcohol ink paintings of nature. She grew up in Southern California and has been creating since childhood, always drawing, painting or making something. She has enjoyed many creative adventures, including sculpting, stained glass art, being a display artist, an interior designer, a graphic artist, a copywriter, and a creative director. She owned an ad agency with husband, LJ, Heart, for years, doing everything from producing books to print ads to tv commercials. She also loves writing fiction and completed two novels. LJ was a musician and together they wrote hundreds of original songs and produced them in their digital recording studio. They lived a passionate and creative life, full of love.

The last few years she and her husband enjoyed learning how to make digital art on the computer and it opened up a whole new world to them. They added digital photography to their creative adventures when they moved from California to Colorado in the winter several years ago. They both adore nature and animals and spent a wondrous year and a half in their dream home in the mountains experiencing the seasons and all the beauty. Sadly, LJ died very suddenly of a heart failure in the spring.

It was devastating to lose her soul mate, but Carol decided to stay in the mountain home they loved. And she once again turned to art to express her feelings through images. She was unable to work at an easel and had to re-invent her art, learning to paint on the computer in Photoshop. She found painting wildlife, nature, and beauty, very healing. Color and detail are her passions. She has a fine art background in oil painting, however she really enjoys the freedom of the digital medium as it stimulates her imagination and offers so many exciting possibilities. Learning a new medium has been her focus for the last few years and she has created many unique paintings with Alcohol Ink.

Carol is a believer in the power of beauty, nature, and animals to heal bodies, hearts, and spirits. She sees the uniqueness in every living being as a momentary gift to be treasured. And so it is this need to capture the life force, to enhance and celebrate it, and even give it life long after it has faded, that gives meaning to her work. Creating, learning, and growing artistically have kept the joy alive and it is her passion to bring healing joy and beauty to others.

Since becoming a widow, Carol has devoted herself to her art. Her work is now in private collections around the world. Her art has been published in various magazines, on book covers, as well as art books. She also licenses her art to various companies for use on various products. She is a collectible artist with The Bradford Exchange. If you would like to view Carol's entire collection, please visit her on-line gallery at: <https://carol-cavalaris.pixels.com>