

# *Gail Descoeurs*



## **BIOGRAPHY**

Artist Gail Descoeurs was born in Montreal in 1962 and was introduced to painting by her father at the age of 17. Gail is predominately self-taught and throughout her early career as an artist she supported herself by pursuing a career in mechanical drafting.

Gail derives inspiration from the power of nature and she is moved by the different feelings that nature evokes. Her depiction of the natural world is at once bold and precise, yet serene and contemplative. Utilising realist qualities she reveals the perfect stillness in nature as timeless and ever powerful. Evoking memories, dreams and imagination her paintings create an ambience of profound peace in the magnificent detail of our natural environment.

Gail has been painting as a professional since 2006 and has rapidly gained recognition for her timeless artwork that borders on the mystical. She resides in the countryside to stay close to nature where she feels at peace and inspired every day.

*"I feel very grateful and privileged to be an artist, teaching and painting full time. It has allowed me to pause to delight and appreciate the simple joys of everyday life, which in turn enables me to truly live."*

## **REPRESENTED BY**

Galerie d'Art Iris, Charlevoix, Quebec ([www.galerieiris.com](http://www.galerieiris.com))  
REHS Contemporary Art Gallery, New York City ([www.rehs.com](http://www.rehs.com))  
Le Balcon d'Art , St-Lambert, Quebec ([www.balcondart.com](http://www.balcondart.com))

## **ART EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Pre-dominantly self taught.  
Studied one session with Ming Ma

## **AWARDS**

2014 1<sup>st</sup> Prize "Best of Show" – for painting of "Soul Mates" in the Avenue Art Gallery Brush Off Competition in Montreal Québec.

2010 1<sup>st</sup> Prize "Best of Show" – for painting of "Approaching Storm in Tuscany" in the Avenue Art Gallery Brush Off Competition in Montreal Québec.

2009 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Award in the International Artist Magazine Landscape Competition for "Still Before Fury".

2004 1<sup>st</sup> Place People's Choice Award in the Hudson Artist Exhibition for painting of "PEI".

2004 3<sup>rd</sup> Place People's Choice Award in the Hudson Artist Exhibition for the painting of "The Pear".

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

2017 Featured in the "Magazin' Art" #114 Winter issue

2016 Featured in the Arabella Canadian Art, Architecture and Design Magazine Tribute hardcover book "For the Love of Flowers"

2015 Featured as "Artist to Collect" in the Arabella Canadian Art, Architecture and Design Magazine Winter Issue

2014 Featured in the "Inside the Art Studio" - Hardcover book published by North Light Books

2013 Arabella Canadian Art, Architecture and Design Magazine Design Magazine - Spring Issue

2011 Featured in the "International Artist Magazine" October/November 2011 Issue #81

2009 Featured in the "American Artist Magazine" – September

## **SOLO AND SEMI SOLO SHOWS**

2019 Galerie Iris – Galerie Iris – A solo celebration of my 40<sup>th</sup> year of painting show called "Timeless places of Quietude" in Baie St-Paul, Charlevoix Québec.

2016 Galerie Iris – Featured Artist in Charlevoix, Québec

2014 Galerie du Plateau with artist Valerie Harper in Montreal, Québec.

2009 Galerie Ouest Solo Show celebrating 30 years of painting in Saint-Anne-De Bellevue, Québec.

2004 Dou - Show with artist Bill Saunders in Kirkland, Québec.

## **GROUP SHOWS**

2018                    Galerie Iris - Group Show (Red Night) in Baie St-Paul, Charlevoix Québec.  
                          Le Balcon d'Art Gallery – Symposium in St-Lambert, Québec.

2017                    Hudson and Region Studio Tour in Hudson, Québec.  
                          Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec.  
                          Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec.

2016                    Reves d'Automne Festival in Baie St-Paul, Charlevoix Québec.

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2014                    Avenue Art Gallery Brush off Competition in Montreal, Quebec.  
                          Reves d'Automne Festival in Baie St-Paul, Charlevoix Québec.  
                          Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec.  
                          Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec.  
                          ACL Contest – Arabella Design

2013                    Hudson and Region Studio Tour in Hudson, Québec.  
                          Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec.  
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2012                    Hudson Artist Association Exhibition in Hudson, Quebec  
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2011                    Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec.  
                          Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec.  
                          Hudson Artist Association Exhibition in Hudson, Québec

2010	Galerie Espace 127 Winter Theme Exhibition in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Québec Galerie Ouest March Blues Exhibition in Sainte-Anne-De-Bellevue, Québec Hudson Artist Association Exhibition in Hudson, Québec Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec. Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec.
2010	Avenue Art Gallery Brush Off Competition in Montreal, Québec Galerie Espace 127 Romantic Light Landscape Exhibition in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Québec
2009	Galerie Espace 127 Exhibition in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Québec Hudson and Region Studio Tour in Hudson, Québec. Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec. Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec. A Temps Perdu Exhibition in Hudson, Québec.
2008	Ronald McDonald House Fundraiser Exhibition in Laval, Québec. Hudson and Region Studio Tour in Hudson, Québec. Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec. Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec. Art Expo Maison Trestler in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Québec.
2007	Hudson Artist Association Exhibition in Hudson, Québec Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec. Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec. Art Expo Maison Trestler in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Québec. Art Expo in Merrickville, Ontario.
2006	Art Expo Gallery Harwood in Hudson, Québec. Hudson Artist Association Exhibition in Hudson, Québec Expo Plein Air with the Lakeshore Artist Association in Pointe-Claire, Québec. Lakeshore Artist Association Exhibition in Baie D'Urfe, Québec.

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2001	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
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1999	Art Expo Plein Air Jardin d`Henriette in St-Lazare, Québec.  Expo Permanent for the Artistes Peintre et Sculpteur du Québec – Galerie d'Art du Cercle In Laval, Québec.  Art Expo Place Ville Marie Chamber of Commerce in Montreal, Québec.
	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
1998	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
1997	Hudson Art Gallery Exhibition in Hudson, Québec.  Art Expo Arkadia in Pointe-Claire, Québec.
	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
1996	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
1995	Art Expo Lake Of Two Mountains in Hudson, Québec.
1990	Art Expo in Alexandria, Ontario

## **MEDIA**

2016                    The Local Journal Newspaper – January 14, 2016

2009                    The Hudson Gazette Newspaper - September 2, 2009

                          The News and Chronicle Newspaper- August 13, 2009

                          The Montreal Gazette Newspaper – August 2009

                          The Premiere Edition Newspaper – August 8, 2009

                          The International Artist Magazine – February/March 2009

                          The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – February 25, 2009

2008                    The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – October 22, 2008

                          The Premiere Edition Newspaper – September 26, 2008

                          The Montreal Gazette Newspaper – September 25, 2008

                          The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – September 17, 2008

2007                    The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – September 12, 2007

                          The Suburban Newspaper – April 2007

2004                    The Local Journal Newspaper – March 25, 2004

                          The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – October 13, 2004

                          L'Etoile Newspaper – October 13, 2004

                          The Hudson Gazette Newspaper – May 12, 2004

1997                    The Hudson Gazette Newspaper- November 4, 1997