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Melita Miculs studied art at the University of Michigan where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Design degree. She received scholarships to study voice afterwards, at the Conservatory of Cincinnati and at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia. After singing opera professionally as a soloist in Europe, she has returned to concentrate more intensely on her painting. Ms. Miculs has previously exhibited at the Detroit Artist Market, Hudson's Regional Show (Detroit, Michigan), and at Arizona State University.



"Still Life" (2003) 24" x 24" oil on canvas For Sale—\$300



"Woman" (2004) 24" x 26" acrylic chalk on masonite

Not Pictured: "The Couple" (2004) 36" x 48" oil on canvas For Sale—\$800

**Valda Birznieks Cox** was born in Riga and studied at Syracuse University. Ms. Cox has worked as a teacher and artist for the past 30 years and is active with the American Latvian Artists association (ALMA). Her art is primarily focused on porcelain with a C10 reduction glaze.





Daina Berzina-Dickens was born in Columbus, Ohio. From 1979—1981 she attended The Ohio State University, and received a Bachelor of Fine Arts from The School of The Art Institute of Chicago in 1984. Ms. Berzina-Dickens works primarily in pastels on paper and jewelry design. Since 1988 she has been a full-time jewelry designer/studio artist and business owner, creating and selling her work at art festivals and galleries.

"Summer Portrait"

14" x 17" soft pastels on paper

For Sale—\$240

"Still Life" ("Klusa Daba") 17" x 18" soft pastels on paper For Sale—\$240

"Autumn Orange and Olive"

18" Long Swarovski Crystal, Pearl and Czech Glass Necklace

For Sale—\$240



Maija Miesniece-Berzina was born in Riga and attended The Ohio State University, School of Fine Arts. Since 1988 she has been the owner and manager of Blue Sky Gallery and Gifts in Columbus, Ohio. "Happiness is painting. I paint to catch a glimpse of the everlasting good earth and nature around us. I like to paint tulips when it is snowing in Ohio, or I dream of the sea, the skies, the mountains. I never draw in pencil, the whole process is done simultaneously. I do not try to represent nature in a photographic aspect. The abstract rhythms, proportions, color combinations and feelings within the painting create my work."

"A Day Like Gold" ("Zelta Diena")
21" x 16" watercolor
For sale—\$240

"Wildflowers" ("Lauku Pukes") 20" x 21" watercolor For sale—\$240 Ivanovs Ritums was born in 1968 in Cēsīs, Latvia. From 1987 to 1994, Mr. Ritums studied at the Latvian Art Academy. Mr. Ritums works primarily using a photographic base, which is then modified with texture to create certain visual effects. The primary focus of his work is with portraits, self-portraits and nudes. Over the course of the past ten years, Mr. Ritums has taken part in almost all major art exhibitions in Latvia.

"Erotic Movie" (2003) 22" x 19"



Karlis Miesnieks was born in 1887 and died in 1977. He studied in the studio of J. Madernieks (1910) and later in the Petersburg Society of Imperial Art Promotion (1911). He worked as a drawing teacher, headed his own art studio, and was a drawing pedagogue of the Latvian Art Academy from 1922—1953. His work has been widely exhibited throughout Latvia.



"Swain" (1945) 5" x 7" etching For Sale—\$480



"Woods" (1945) 5" x 6" etching For Sale—\$480

Juris Kakis was born in Riga and immigrated to the United States with his parents. He received his B.A. from Kent State University, his M.A. from The Ohio State University, and his M.F.A. from Kent State University. He taught painting and drawing at The Ohio Dominican University as Full Professor for 35 years. During his tenure, he was chair of the Art Department for 30 years. He was also curator of the Wherle Gallery. He has exhibit ed his work extensively in the United States and Europe and is in many corporate and private collections throughout the world.

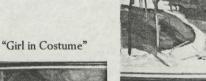
"Gailia" ("Rooster")	- 10	\$400
"Ziemas Zirgs" ("Winter Horse")	-	\$450
"Rudens Zirgs" ("Autumn Horse")	-	\$450
"Puisis" ("Young Man")	-	\$600
"Abstract #1"	-	\$500
"Abstract #2"	-	\$500

Lelde Vinters Ore studied Fine Art and Design at the Art Institute of Chicago from 1955 to 1959 and graduated with a BFA degree. She has had more than thirty independent exhibits. Her work has been shown in galleries in Chicago, Florida and in numerous group shows and exhibits. Her work is in collections in the US, Canada, Austria and currently she has a traveling show in Latvia

"Art should emanate a joy for life, for nature, with explosive color and energy." Her style is impressionistic, sometimes quite absrtact, very strong colors. Paints in oil, but experiments in other media.



"Dunes"



"Island in the Sun"

Arnolds Pankoks was born in 1914 and studied at the Latvian Art Academy from 1937-1943 and from 1945-1947. Mr. Pankoks was a teacher in the Liepaja School of Applied Arts and also worked in the portrait workshop of combine "Maksla". He has taken part in numerous exhibitions since 1949 including ones in Latvia and Toronto,

Canada.

"At the River" (1950) 12" x 17" oil /canvas



Jekabs Springis (1907 - 2004) studied art at the Liepaja Art and Craft School from 1927 - 1930, and later at the Academy of Art in Latvia from 1930 - 1936. From 1946 - 1969 he was a drawing teacher and librarian at the Talsi 2nd Primary School. In his later years, Mr. Springis lived and worked in Riga and enjoyed painting in the summertime in Talsi. His work has been exhibited extensively and many pieces are in private collections around the world.

"Street in a Small Town"
14" x 18" oil/canvas
For Sale—\$2200



Julijs Vilumainis (1909—1981) studied art in the Riga City School of Crafts and graduated from the Landscape Studio of the Latvian Art Academy in 1935. Mr. Vilumainis was director of the Kuldiga School of Applied Arts (1945) a pedagogue of the Riga School of Applied Arts (1945-1946, 1949 - 1953) and J. Rozentals Riga School of Art (1953 - 1969). He was also a director of the Latvian Art Academy School of Art from 1946 - 1947. His works are found in private collections throughout the world.

"Fisherman Boats"

14" x 18" oil / board

For Sale—\$2500



**Rihards Delvers** was born in 1968 and graduated from the J. Rozentals School of Art in Riga in 1986 and the Painting Department of the I. Zarins studio of the Latvia Art Academy in 1995. His work has been exhibited in nearly sixty shows throughout Latvia and Europe.

"Second" (2003) 15" x 22" oil on canvas For Sale—\$950



Albins Dzenis was born in 1907 and graduated from the Latvian Art Academy in 1935. He worked at the Daugavpils Theater from 1936 to 1940 and later served as the main artist at the Liepajas Theater from 1945 to 1971. He has taken part in exhibitions since 1934 with decorations, sketches and paintings primarily of landscape.

"River" (1970)

12" x 17" oil on board

For Sale—\$980



**Antra Ivdra** was born in 1966 and attended J. Rozental Art School from 1978 to 1985. Following this, she studied at the Art Academy of Latvia from 1988 to 1995. She has had numerous exhibitions throughout Latvia

"Water Design" (2006) 14" x 24" oil on canvas For Sale—\$950 **Ruta Purins**, a ceramic artist now living in Grand Rapids, Michigan has worked extensively with ceramics and participated in numerous exhibitions of her work.



"Dzelmes izskalots"



"Menesa nesejs"



"Vientuliba"

Patricija Brekte was born in 1981 and studied at the Riga 2nd High School. In 1999 she graduated from J. Rozental School of Art in Riga. Her work has been exhibited since 1997 in Latvia, Austria, Russia, Portugal, Norway, Lithuania and Germany.

"Ponto Vecchio" (2005) 13" x 17" oil on canvas For Sale—\$950

