## **KATIE SOUTHWORTH**

CONTEMPORARY COLORIST





#### **ARTIST BIO**

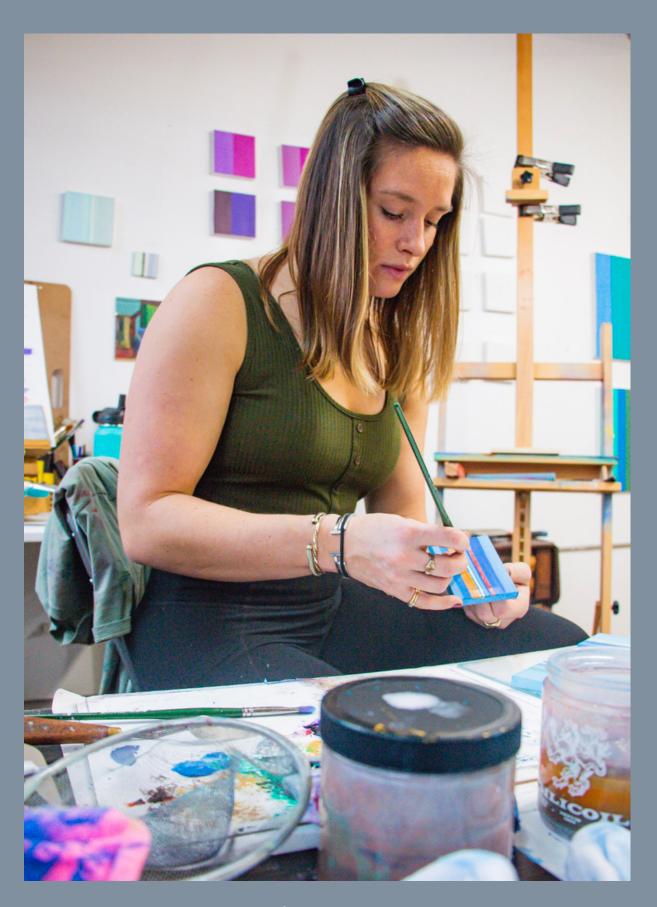
Katie Southworth is an artist and art educator working in Boston and Edgartown Massachusetts. Originally from Darien Connecticut, she graduated from Colby College in Waterville Maine with Bachelors degrees in Studio Art and Psychology. She received her Masters at the Tufts School of the Museum of Fine Arts in May 2018. That same year, she began her career as an elementary school art teacher in Boston. In tandem with full-time teaching, she continues to expand her body of work in Boston and Martha's Vineyard, where she spends her summers.

Katie creates, exhibits, and sells her work out of a studio space in the SoWa Arts District of Boston and is a member of the SoWa artist guild. Her work has been featured in a group exhibition in Waterville Maine, virtual exhibits, and has been accepted into a show in Darien, CT this upcoming May.

Her paintings are in private collections in New York City, Boston, Vero Beach, Edgartown, Denver, Hermosa Beach and more.



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#### **ARTIST STATEMENT**

My work aims to celebrate color and light, and is inspired by emotion, memory, and nature: especially water. Sometimes, especially for commissions, I paint while directly observing specific light conditions, photography, or objects. I takes great joy in exploring color complexities that exist in seemingly simple things or fleeting moments. I also create pieces intuitively in response to my mood, or the developing piece itself. At my core, I am a colorist in constant study of color theory and relativity. Thus, in every piece, each layer of color is always governed by the previous layers. I do this until the viewers eye can dance freely across the entire piece. Once that happens, a color story or memory can emerge.

I title my pieces after I meditate on the completed piece's colors, listen to the story, and think about where I have heard or seen it before, if at all. This is why most of my work is titled after the person, place, feeling, or thing of which it most reminds me. My hope is that viewers feel welcome to do the same. Through this practice, I've found that my work exposes the truly personal nature of color as it relates to memory.

I strive for smooth, crisp, harmonious layers of luxurious color because I hope to create a calming visual aid for meditation and intrinsic contemplation for viewers. To provide a moment of peace for others, as it does for me. This higher purpose of my work is dedicated to my mother, Ellie. In honor of her, a percentage of all sales are donated to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **Education:**

Colby College: Bachelor of Arts - Studio Art, 2016

Tufts School of the Museum of Fine Arts Masters in Teaching - K-12 Art Education, 2018

#### **Exhibitions**:

Group Exhibition - Waterville, ME, May 2016 Solo Virtual Exhibition - February 2021 \*Upcoming\* Group Show - Darien, CT May 2021

#### **Commissions**:

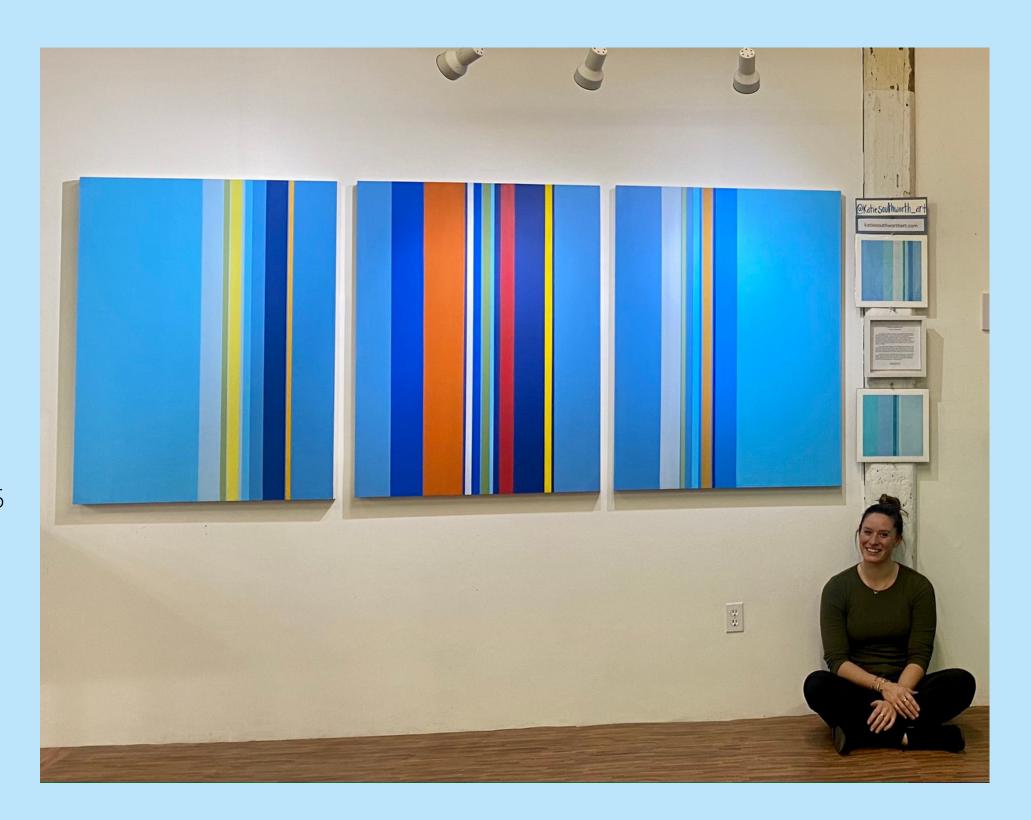
Katie has worked with 14 Private Collectors to create 25 pieces of custom original artwork to fit specific spaces.

#### **Awards:**

Charles Hovey Pepper Prize

Meritorious Achievement in Studio Art

2016





# 2020-2021 COLLECTIONS

AVAILABLE ARTWORK







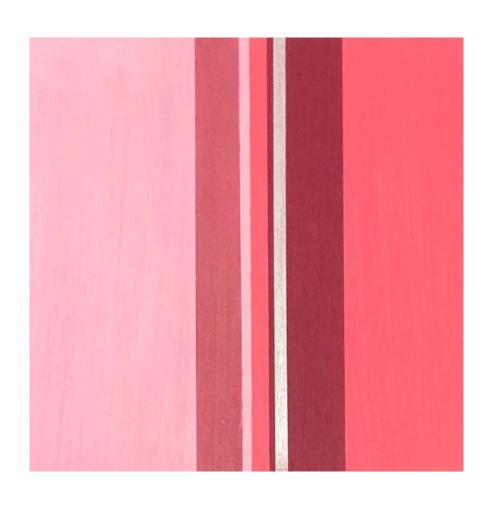
"Smitten" 40x30in

"Lovely" 40x30in

"Babe" 40x30in



"Princess" 6x6in



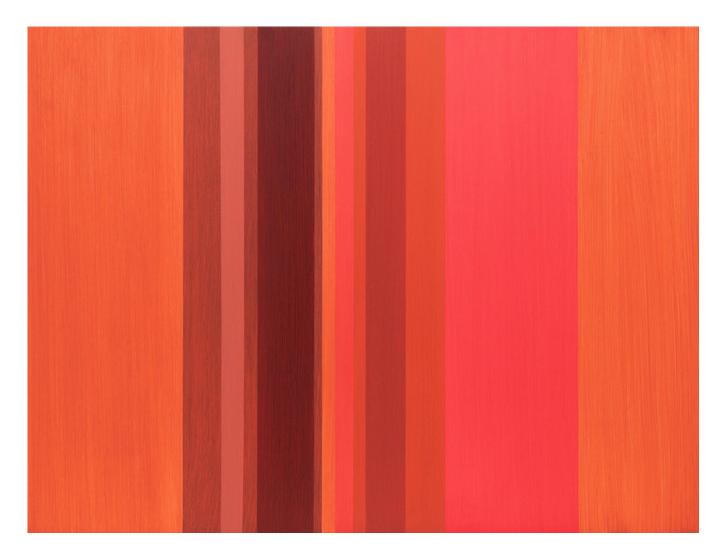
"Baby" <sub>6x6in</sub>



"Kiss me" 6x6in



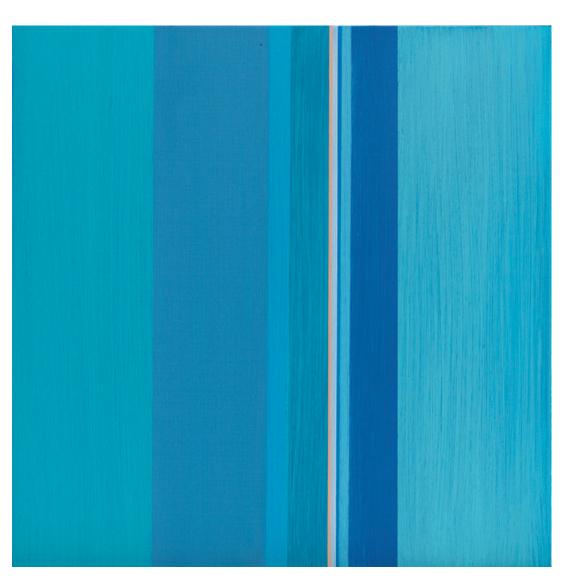
"Sunflower" 18x24in



"Cinnamon Hot Toddy"
18x24in



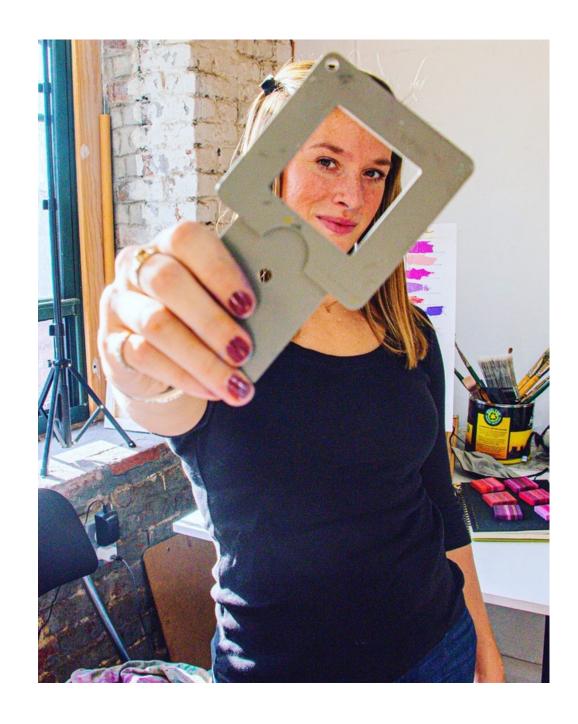
"Daily Denim" 6x6in



"Sundown Sail Sparkle" 10x10in



"Laundered Linens" 6x6in



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