

Tales of the Sea

Artist: Jackie Reeves

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Aluminum panels, water based exterior paint.

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Artist Statement

Tales from the sea are as endless as the ocean itself, and as interwoven throughout the history of Cape Cod as the nets which are cast to gather its bounty. As residents and visitors of Cape Cod, we are drawn to the sea since it surrounds us at every turn. My intention with this painting is to evoke a sense of the past. While there are some visual clues that allude to the Cape's long fishing history, it is my hope that within the layers of paint there is more that is revealed the longer one looks. As in many of my paintings I like to leave areas "unfinished" in hopes that the viewer will fill in the blanks with their own interpretations, memories or stories.

About the Artist

Canadian-born, Cape Cod based artist Jackie Reeves uses drawing, painting and collage to bring together figurative and abstract elements in her work. She was raised in Montreal by architect parents and studied design art at Concordia University (BFA). Her artistic career began as a professional mural painter for corporate, private and public spaces. She later earned her MFA in painting at Massart and has exhibited in solo and group shows in museums and galleries throughout the region. She teaches a variety of art classes on Cape Cod and works out of Chalkboard Studio in the Old school House studios in Barnstable Village.

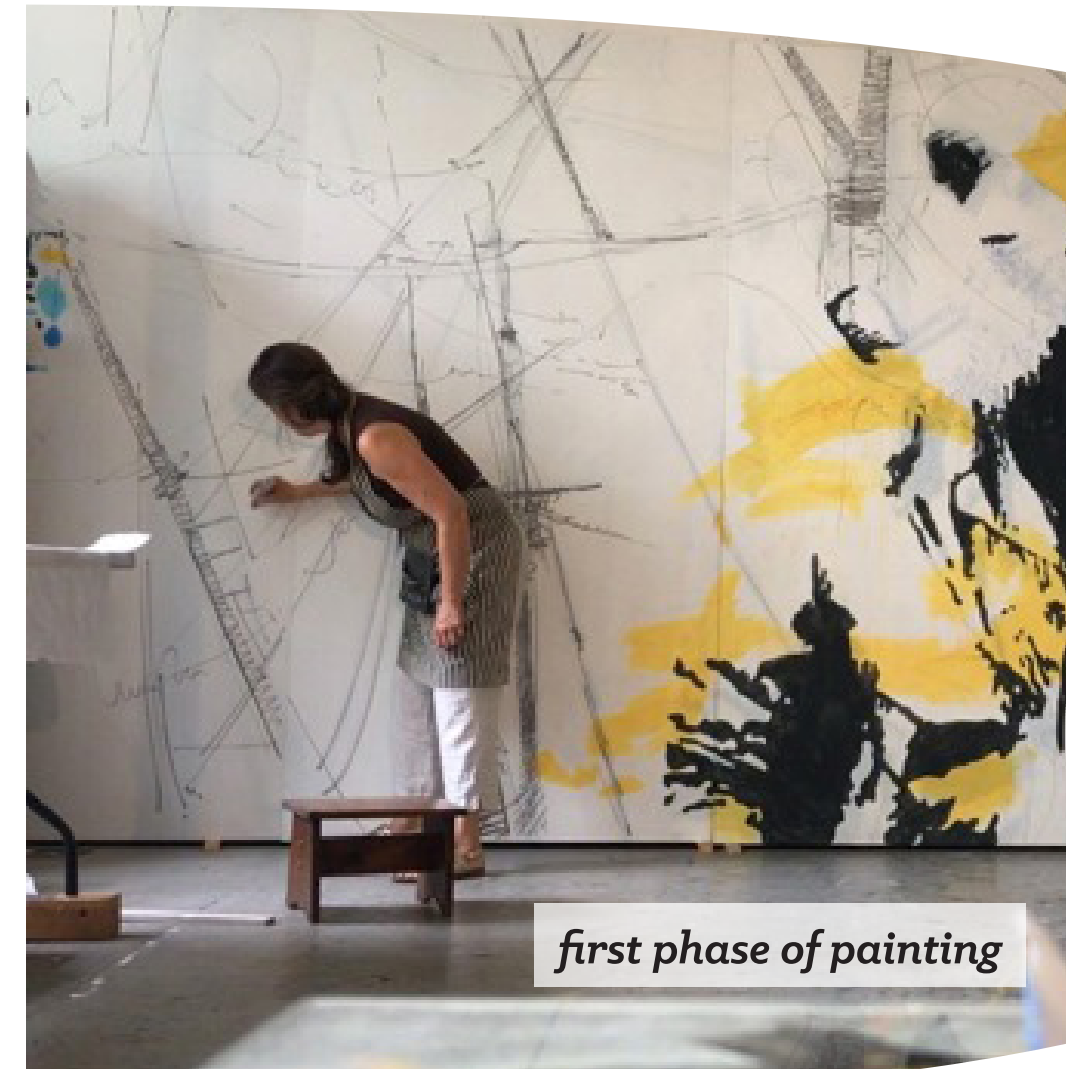


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Process

The process began with artist sketches and archival photos layered together in photoshop. The central image of the fisherman's face was transferred using a projector to enlarge it. The rest of it was developed in the process of painting using rollers, paint markers, squeegees and brushes to splatter, drip, roll and drag the paint. Working this way was purposeful and meant to mirror the fluidity and motion of the ocean.

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