

Artist Statement

Siobhan Louise Art

“Expressive and frantic with a calm and peaceful top layer” is a description that reflects me, Siobhan the artist, and the life I bring forth onto the canvas. Working with vibrations, I express emotions and feelings onto the page, only to later cover it up with something more subtle, more refined or that at least has gone through the filter of self-awareness and reflection, asking myself whilst I paint and when conversing with others... How much do I want to say, what do I tell? How much can I open up, release?

Nature is where I belong, amongst the forests, beside the rivers, atop the mountains. It is here, in these places that I find my deepest connections, so it is no wonder that my desire to paint who I am has transformed into painting Nature. Trees, plants, flowers, skylines, coastlines. All have been my subject matter for several years. Sprouting from ideas of identity, I have always known a more profound sense of self than what I could portray in a portrait. I needed to go deeper, simpler, wider, more expansive. For me, painting is a communion with nature itself, it is there that I find the answers to my questions. It is there that I appreciate the Chaos and destruction, the order and the detail, the beauty in confusion, and the grotesque in the defined. It is in those in-between moments where I feel most at home, both the observer and the observed. The Artist and the Artwork.