

**Paws & Brushes, Pet Portraiture Class**  
**with Heather Connole**

Join artist Heather Connole in our pet portraiture class, where you'll learn to translate the unique essence of your beloved companion onto canvas. Heather will guide you through the process, helping you choose your preferred medium and unraveling techniques to accentuate every detail of your pet's features. With personalized instruction and step-by-step guidance, you'll develop the skills needed to portray your cherished animal friend.

This class is appropriate for all skill levels from beginner to more advanced. Individual instruction will be provided for each student.

Both oil and acrylic paint is welcomed.

**In this workshop you will learn:**

- Composition
- Color theory
- Shape mapping
- Brush strokes and textures
- Types of brushes and materials used and why

**Where:**

Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
105 E. Washington Street  
Middleburg, VA 20117

**Date and Time:**

Tuesday, June 11th  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Cost:** \$135

**Supplies to bring:**

- A reference photo
- Paper towels
- Paint of choice – oil or acrylic
- A lidded container to rinse your brushes and to take rinse water home.
- Various sized brushes
- Canvas size between a 9x12 -16x20
- Linseed oil
- Brush soap

*\*Please be aware, paint and rinse water cannot be disposed of at the church. \**

## Heather Connole Biography

Heather Connole is a skilled Impressionist oil painter with a remarkable 16-year journey in her craft. Her vibrant artworks exude a sense of joy and tranquility, skillfully brought to life through bold brushwork and a distinctive personal style. Heather's talent has garnered recognition, with memberships in art guilds such as the Baton Rouge and Manassas Art Guilds.

Notably, Heather's artwork is represented at galleries including the Elizabethan Gallery in Baton Rouge, LA, Art and Curios in Calabash, NC, and Behold Custom Art and Framing in Bay St. Louis, MS. In addition to her accomplishments as an artist, she has served as an artist in residence, conducting art classes at retirement homes and middle schools under the auspices of the Manship Theatre and The Baton Rouge Arts Council.

Heather's dedication to nurturing young artistic talent is evident through her certification as a Talented Art Assessor for the state of Louisiana. She has also lent her expertise to assisting students aged 6-17 in portfolio preparation for Talented Art programs. Heather's captivating artwork has received well-deserved exposure, having been featured in prominent publications such as "Town Favorites," "Coastal Living," and "Country Roads" magazines. Furthermore, her artwork has been featured in movies filmed in Baton Rouge, including "Don't Look Back," directed by the renowned Jeffery Reddick, known for his work on the popular movie "Final Destination."