

# **Artist's Statement**

## **About Dan Chase**

Dan was raised in Midland and took art courses in public school. He took some art courses in college, but decided he didn't want to be a starving artist and after working as a famished draftsman, became a hungry government planner instead. For about twenty years, planning work took him from Midland to Saginaw to Bay County to the Muskegon region, and marriage brought him back to Midland where he worked at various jobs, from construction to jeweler's apprentice to substitute teacher to church secretary and back to construction until he was physically unable to do the work any longer. Now he paints pictures and writes novels.

## **About Dan's Paintings**

Dan wants to paint works that are aesthetically pleasing to the viewer. He does not paint to shock the viewer or to make statements (that is why he writes novels!).

Dan likes color and loves to place complimentary colors next to each other in his paintings to make the colors "pop." Some of his work shows his love of light and his attempt to capture changing light and these paintings look different in different light or when viewed from different angles.

Recently, Dan has been working with water-soluble colored pencils which he blends and darkens and "fixes" with transparent acrylic glazes. He also likes the shimmer of metallic colored pencils and "interference" paints (which change color as the direction of light striking them changes).

Needless to say, Dan's favorite subject matter is flowers.

**All works are for sale, please contact Dan at 631-4338  
for prices or more information.**