# Andrea Agresta

## Pet Portraits

## **Artist Statement:**

Animals and Art have been a passion since childhood and I remain grateful to my parents for bestowing their infectious love for all creatures to their children.

My art career began in childrens illustration and advertising design. After raising my two sons and countless dogs, cats and other furballs, I have chosen to help bring awareness and social consciousness for animals to the forefront thru my art. A portion of the proceeds from my paintings is dedicated to animal rescue . . . from seal pups to farm animals, chimp and gorilla foundations and dog and cat rescues. The need for assistance is great, especially in our economically challenged climate.

I begin my paintings by studying the unique expression, spirit and personality of my subject while



incorporating a love of color, design and touch of whimsy. Using a variety of methods to apply my paint, I am always true to the look and soul of the special pet I am painting.

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." Mahatma Ghandi













*"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened." Anatole France* 

#### **Juried Shows:**

Wayne Art Center, Chester County Art Asso., MCGOPA, Burlap and Bean, Edgmont Township Appreciation of the Arts Night, Bryn Mawr Medical Pavillion, Penn Med Valley Forge, Penn Med Radnor, Z Gallery, Anna Delia McCormack Gallery, member Delaware Valley Art League

#### Book Design, Heartfelt Tails

My pet portraits are collected across the United States. Please feel free to fall in love with a furry face that has been painted, or I will be honored to paint your pet from photos. There are many sizes to choose from. Pet Portraits make "Furever Gifts."

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