

# THE ARTIST

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Keith Nolan

As a member of the Missanabie Cree First Nation in Ontario, Canada, and living across the country from the wild, northern land where I was raised, a longing grew to document Native culture — the beautiful people and memories that I know.

I have lived and traveled across North America — experiencing connection with many First Nations people. My work tries to share the stories of everyday Native people. As I mature as an artist, my world expands. I seek to capture a variety of subjects as they inspire me — through both plein air painting and studio work.

Although I love creating varied art forms, my voice is found best through the medium of oil on canvas. I studied for two years at Grant MacEwan College and with various teachers including David Leffel at the Art Student's League in New York city.

I am now teaching art classes in my studio for all levels of students. I teach oil on canvas at 5012 50 Ave, Legal Alberta and run classes Tuesdays and Thursdays, days and evenings.

Along with winning a number of awards, I have been privileged to have my work displayed in the Provincial Museum of Alberta and with the Canada Council for the Arts, as well as with many private corporations and individuals. My paintings have been sold throughout Canada and internationally and have been featured by greeting card companies, and in calendars sold in the US and Canada.

I seek to embrace life and live each moment as fully as I can. Being able to share my feelings and the life and energy of others through painting is a gift I am so grateful for!