



# MARIA WOODS



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## About the Artist

Maria was born in Yorkshire, England and has been drawing and painting from an early age - encouraged by her father, a self taught artist. They'd go outdoor sketching and she'd experiment with acrylic and oil paints in his little studio in the garage.

After studying graphic design at Batley Art College, then working in fast-paced advertising, Maria moved to an international greeting card company, where she learned every aspect of production, from artwork to printing and finishing.

Since becoming freelance in 1990, Maria has produced over 2000 designs for this constantly evolving and fashion-led industry, notably the 100+ "Mouse Tales" card range for Hallmark. More recently her work has featured in children's books, on posters, prints, tableware and wallpaper around the world.

Working mostly with acrylic paints, her diverse style ranges from whimsical quirky figures to abstract, painterly big canvases. A multi-media artist, Maria also photographs and scans her art to be computer manipulated, to extend the visual range of her work.

Passionate about color, texture and pattern, Maria's travels through Europe have been a great inspiration, from the organic lines of Art Nouveau in Prague to the peeling and flaking frescoes in Italy. Currently living in California, she is embracing a whole new world of inspiration.





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