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I am a self-taught artist. I work mainly with pencils, especially Prisma professional colored pencils and watercolor pencils. I enjoy animal portraits and landscapes. I was recently commissioned to do a six-piece African animal series, and will happily entertain custom canvas, print, or framed orders.

## **Recent Projects**

- \* Three-piece framed pencil pet portrait series featuring a pit bull, Yorkshire terrier, and a Shih Tzu.
- \* Six-piece framed watercolor pencil African animal series featuring pairs of elephants, rhinoceros, zebras, parrots, lions, and giraffes
- \* Acrylic paint alphabet pictographs on smooth river rocks
- \* Landscape pencil print of a Gettysburg red covered bridge
- Five-piece acrylic paint on canvas giraffe silhouette with sunset savannah background

## **Exhibition and Experience**

Julie Kraft Art was formally organized in 2012, when I started to sell prints of hobby projects I had done on my own. I experimented with methods and mediums and refined my craft. In 2019, I expanded to offer custom commissions, with clients selecting the scope, medium, and other attributes of my artwork — creating a one-of-a-kind piece for themselves or as a gift.

I am active as a frequent exhibitor in the annual Bel Air Festival for the Arts since 2013, and was featured as Harford County Living's artist of the week in September 2020. I've also participated in other craft shows throughout northeastern Maryland. I have an engaged base of followers on my Facebook page and my personal website.

In 2018, I graduated from the Community College of Baltimore County with an Associate of Arts in Elementary Education, with a focus on art history.