

About Ardis DeFreece

Ardis DeFreece was born and raised in the Pacific Northwest. She earned her BA in Art from Mt. St. Mary's College in Los Angeles in 1996. While in college, she studied abroad in Florence and Paris and fell in love with Europe. Over the following decade she lived in many cities in the United States and Europe working as an artist, art teacher, art dealer and in business. Over the years she continued her art education at various schools and studios. She returned to Florence in 2002 where she studied classical painting and drawing in the atelier of Charles Cecil. Since 2004, she has taught painting and drawing at Multnomah Arts Center, Hipbone Studio, Falcon Art Community and several private studios and independent spaces in Portland and the surrounding area.