# Stella Spiridonova

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#### Summary

Artist over 20 years of international experience in exhibits, galleries, studios, and graphic arts. Versatile with different art techniques and styles. Create original artworks - abstract and realistic. Knowledge in oil, acrylic, fresco, gouache, pastel, ink, watercolor. Valuable in variety of art: figurative and decorative compositions, portraits, landscapes, still lifes, textures. Art teaching experience with children 5 to adults. Works as a freelancer artist. Participates art workshops at Signature of Art Gallery, Glencoe, IL.

#### **Computer skills**

Mac and Windows, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, MS Office. Artistic skills
Apply oil/acrylic to create desired appearance
Create commercial graphic and illustrative art works
Originate rough sketches and decorative textures
Produce lettering, paste ups, signs and displays
Design and create graphics
Draw original or customized artworks and illustrations
Paint original artworks

### **Customers Service Skills**

Conduct business over the telephone and in person
Meet deadlines consistently
Able to meet customer specifications exactly and with strong creativity

## **Exhibits**

Natalie Gallery, Bulgaria; Gallery Sigvardson, Rodby, Dennmark; Elemential Gifts, Chicago, IL; Gallery 219 - Barrington, IL, Tuscon, AZ; Nelly's Gallery, Chicago, IL; Foyles Gallery, London, UK; Bulgarian Embassy, Washington, DC; Gallery Sekor, Tokyo, Japan; Art Festival "Around the Coyote", Chicago, IL; Art and Craft Festival "Rock the River", Chicago Tribune, Chicago, IL; Bulgarian Cultural Club, Chicago, IL; National Palace of Culture, Sofia, Bulgaria; Gallery "Interpret", Sofia, Bulgaria, Kempinski Hotel, Sofia, Bulgaria; Gallery "Zoom", Sofia, Bulgaria, Gallery "Hemus", Bulgaria

### One woman shows

Hotel"Moreni" Sofia, Bulgaria; Gallery "Minevra", Sofia, Bulgaria; "Earth and people" Museum, Sofia, Bulgaria.

### **Education**

Master of Fine Arts, National Art Academy, Sofia, Bulgaria, GPA 3.5/4

Major: Mural Painting, Minor: Art Teaching

Associate Degree Graphic Design incomplete, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL

## **Work History**

10.04 - 01.14 Artist, Ornament Shop, Lake Bluff, IL

09.13 - 06.14 Art Instructor, Community School "Znanie", Arlington Heights, IL

04.04 - 06.05 Art sales and framing, Fast Frame, Lake Zurich, IL

03.03 - 11.04 Art Consultant, Palatine Art Center, Palatine, IL

07.99 - 12.99 Cookies Decorator, Vernon Hills, IL 09.98 - 01.99 Art Assistant, Contemporary Collections, Schaumburg, IL 09.97 - 03.98 Wood Decorator, Raymond Garcia Studio, Chicago, IL

09.90-06.94 Art Teacher, First High School, Sofia, BGR-EU