# Glenda Goodrich ("GG")

## Retriever in Four Acts

Mixed Media – Paper and Acrylic Paint

### **Artist's Statement**

Walking With Peety by Eric O'Grey is a beautiful memoir about the author's journey with an adopted dog, full of hope, lots of ups and downs and, most of all, love. The book reminded me about the love and happiness an animal can bring into someone's life. And in Eric's case, also saving that life. This inspiring story left me feeling motivated to change a couple of things in my life that I might be taking for granted.

My process for creating this piece started with a background of collage in green and gold papers. I kept thinking about the loyalty of a golden retriever named Sasha that we had when my kids were little, which is why I chose the gold papers. Sasha loved rolling on green grass; that's why I chose the various green papers. Then I sketched and painted the silhouettes of the four dog poses to fit the vertical format design of the substrate. Finally, I added the gray dog prints, as if Sasha had walked over the final art piece. It was great fun to use this art as a doorway into the memory of a beloved family dog. I hope you enjoy looking at it as much as I enjoyed creating it.

### Artist's Bio

The natural world is where GG finds her inspiration to create. The forest floor, birds and dragonflies, shadowy figures under a full moon, layered geological rock formations. She notices the repeated patterns and paradoxical variety in trees, landscapes and all of nature. And that is precisely what she brings to her richly layered mixed media collages.

Born in the Midwest and raised in California, GG relocated to Oregon in 1979 and began actively pursuing her inherent artistic talents. She is a self-taught artist who has shown her work in several local galleries and shows. Her popular colorful work combines a light-hearted spirit of expression with the depth of ancestral connections in beautifully executed composition and design.

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### **Art Label:**

Name: Glenda "GG" Goodrich Title: Retriever in Four Acts Medium: Paper and Acrylic Paint

Size: 6 x 20" Price: \$75.00