

## **Margo McCafferty**

### ***Vegan Dinner Party***

Casein on wood panel

### **Artist's Statement**

When I picked Eric O'Grey's book, *Walking With Peety: The Dog Who Saved My Life*, I was anticipating a sweet story about a canine whose faithful, unconditional love enriched the lives of those around him. I was not disappointed, and, in fact, this was so much more than a heartwarming story. After reading wonderful passages about beans and rice, heirloom tomatoes, and paella, I have a new appreciation for vegan food, and I have in fact been inspired to incorporate more plant-based recipes into my own diet. So, while this book was full of passages evoking compelling visual imagery (one of my favorites being a description of a mountain of laundry), I finally decided that I would like to depict Peety participating at one of the plant-based food gatherings the author described. The flowers on the carpet are a nod to Eric's description of his redecorating his apartment.

### **Artist's Technique**

*Vegan Dinner Party* is painted with casein on a gessoed wood panel. Casein is a very opaque medium containing milk solids, deodorized so that they actually have a very pleasant smell, with no toxic fumes.

### **Artist's Bio**

Margo McCafferty's drawings, prints and paintings are exhibited and collected internationally. A native of the Pacific Northwest, Margo received a degree in political science from Willamette University before deciding that art was her vocation. After earning her MFA in drawing and painting from Arizona State University in 1990, she settled in to the reality of teaching. Her teaching experience includes English in Japan, and painting, drawing, design and printmaking for colleges and universities in the U.S. Other jobs (along with making art full time) have included arts administration on the state level, jurying art exhibits, and writing art reviews and criticism. Margo's work can be seen at Lunaria Gallery in Silverton, OR, and at The Gallery on 5th in Calumet, MI.

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### **Art Label**

Name: Margo McCafferty

Title: *Vegan Dinner Party*

Medium: Casein on wood panel

Size: 14" x 11"

Price: \$380.00