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"A View Through My Window"

Date Acquired: 6/15/1995, Date Created: 1995
Framed Dimensions: 45.75 x 29.75", Picture Dimensions: 44 x 28"
Medium: Oil on Canvas

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Susan Ann Stephenson finds artistic inspiration in everyday life and ordinary objects. Her oil paintings, with their cropped compositions and sense of suspended moment, do much to capture the wonder that seizes her upon seeing an object in a new way.

A careful observer of her surroundings, Susan is interested in catching an “unguarded moment in time” when her eye might fall upon a casually coiled extension cord or the arrangement of crumpled pages as a newspaper is dropped to the floor when the reader gets up to answer the telephone.

“My paintings are realistic and often reflect my immediate surroundings. A folded newspaper, a makeup mirror, even an orange extension cord can become beautiful through the artist’s eye. When looking at something, I see it on a painter’s terms, almost subconsciously analyzing its colors and imagining the brushstrokes I would use if painting it.

Just because it isn’t the Grand Canyon doesn’t mean that it can’t be beautiful,” she explained.