



## Kat Block Artist and Art Instructor



*I am a career artist and teach art to young people and adults.*

### ***How long have you been a professional artist?***

Since 1990

### ***Where do you currently work?***

I do art in my studio and teach at the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey and Morris County Art Association. I also conduct workshops throughout the state of New Jersey.

### ***How do you spend most of your time at work?***

I create art, take reference photos, enter art shows, and teach classes and private students.

### ***Why did you choose this career?***

I do it because I love it!

### ***What did you do to prepare for this career?***

I graduated college summa cum laude, went to art school, and modeled for portrait artists. Importantly, I create art every day.

### ***What do you enjoy most about your job?***

I love being creative.

### ***What do you find most challenging about your job?***

The challenge is balancing the constant hustle with other aspects of my life.

### ***What was one of your first jobs and how did that experience influence your career path?***

My first job was being a music counselor in a summer day camp.

### ***What is one piece of advice you would give to a young person who is interested in your profession?***

In creative fields you have to work all of the time. There is hardly any time off. You have to accept this.



**KAT'S FUN FACT**  
My favorite author is Kurt Vonnegut.

