**Cristina Vendelsen**

Cristina Vendelsen was born in the year of 1954 in Bucharest Romania in an artistic family. Her father was a photographer and painter and her uncle painted and wrote calligraphy for multiple bibles in Romanian monasteries.

Cristina lived in Germany in the 70’s, in Sweden between 1086 and 1995, and has resided in Norway since 1995 with her husband and daughters. Autumn 2017 she and her husband moved to the village Skogbygda in Akershus in Norway. One of her daughters also lives here with her family.

Cristina started painting and drawing early in her life, and studied civil engineering at the Bauhaus Univerity in Weimar, Germany. She has also worked as a scientist, lecturer and has been responsible for the quality control in construction both in the private and public sectors in Norway.

Cristina’s passion is painting, mostly with acryl colours, though she also enjoys aquarelle and oil painting. She has participated in a plentitude of painting courses, some led by Annhild Brit Gustavsen, and she is constantly developing and perfecting her own painting style and techniques.

She has also participated in a course led by the university lecturer Marina Stan at Høyskolen in Oslo and Akershus (now the Oslo Metropolitan University), under the Icelandic artist Karl Austan Vernhardsson, and she is now finishing her two year art education at Nydalen Kunstskole in Oslo.

***"The human soul on canvas"***

This was the title of a local newspaper article about Cristina and her art. In short, it describes very well what she tries to express in her paintings.

**Exhibitions:**

2011-12: Romanian Embassy, Oslo

2012: Deichmanske library, Majorstuen, Oslo

2012: Deichmanske library, Oppsal, Oslo

2012: Ås art association, Ås

2012: Drøbak art association, Drøbak

2013: Deichmanske library, Stovner, Oslo

2013: Biblioteca Municipala, Bucuresti, Romania

2014: Bøler church, Oslo

2015: Sørum art association, Frogner

2016: Ullensaker art association, Jessheim

2018 September: Opening of Gallery CC Art, Ingeborgrud

2018: Gallery CC Art, Ingeborgrud (together with Roar Engelberg)

2018 December: Nydalen School of Art, Oslo

2019 June: Nydalen School of Art, Oslo

2019: Nes Business Center, Oppaker

2019: Romanian Embassy, Oslo

2019 Desember: Nydalen School of Art, Oslo

2020 January: ART67, Reykjavik, Island