



The Horn of Plenty

121.8x182.8cm (48x72 in)
Acrylic on canvas

NATALIIA VYAZ

Nataliia Vyaz was born in Poltava in the center of Ukraine. She has always been drawn to Art and loves painting and transmitting what she believes is beautiful to the world. She has studied art all her life; first at Poltava Children's Art School and Reshetylivka Art Lyceum. She Graduated from the National University of Poltava Polytechnic. Nataliia has participated in a wide range of city, regional, and national Ukrainian art exhibitions as well as solo exhibitions. Since relocating to Australia, she has had her paintings exhibited at the Ukrainian Embassy Cultural diplomatic function in Canberra and has also exhibited her work in Sydney.

She mostly uses oil and acrylic paints. Her range of techniques and styles varies from classicism to impressionism. She is also very keen on reviving the centuries old traditions of Ukrainian folk painting style called 'Samchykivka'. Samchykivka is included in the National list of elements of intangible cultural heritage of Ukraine. Originated in the village of Samchyky in central west Ukraine, it is a very decorative, colourful, and joyful style. It is very contemporary despite its ancient roots. The Samchykivka painting is based on floral ornaments that act as talismans. Large elements are divided by contrasting colours. Her research has led her to experiment with this style and combine it with a modern approach.

Her painting is called "The Horn of Plenty"; this being a symbol of health, peace, and prosperity. This painting is made in Samchykivka painting style. She used a lot of shades of blue and yellow which are the colours of the Ukraine flag. They are also colours of blue sky and wheat fields. These are the colours of peace, prosperity and happiness.