





Towards the light 116,8x116.8cm (46x46in) Mixed media (acrylic + texture paste) on canvas

Tetiana Koldunenko was born in Kyiv, the capital of Ukraine. She doesn't remember her life before making Art. It means so much to her. She studied at the State Art school and graduated from the Ukrainian Academy of Art and Architecture then completed a Master of Design at Florence Design Academy in Italy. Later, she completed a Master of Design (Honours) at UNSW in Sydney.

She works as an illustrator and graphic designer and continues to paint. Many of her works are acrylic or watercolours; sometimes she uses other mediums including digital. She has participated in many exhibitions both in Ukraine and in Australia. She had her solo exhibition in Kyiv and participated in "All For You", a group exhibition at Global Gallery in 2011 and at "Transcendence" exhibition at The Arthouse hotel in 2011 (Sydney). She also exhibited her works at "Taste of Ukraine" Ukrainian Diplomatic function Canberra in 2021.

Tetiana's painting is called "Towards the light"; it shows two butterflies instinctively moving toward the light in this difficult world. Many cultures believe the butterfly is a symbol of change and beauty. Ukraine is undergoing change today and Tetiana hopes it will have a beautiful future. In this painting, she has used the colours of the Ukrainian flag; for her, these are the colours of hope and peace and a happiness.

More about Tetiana's artistic activities is in her blog http://www.t-koldunenko.com/blog/