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"Color, Texture and Mood"
acrylic and mixed media paintings

MICHELE CORMIER

Opening Reception:
Friday, September 11, 6 - 8:30 pm



Raised in Barachois, a small Acadian village along the east coast of New Brunswick, Canada, Michele's work is inspired by her French Canadian culture where Acadian ancestor's lead a simplified lifestyle living principally off the sea and land. Searching for order and minimalism, Michele's art ranges from simplified contemporary abstracts to calculated realistic compositions that often consist of landscapes, nature and water.



Through color, texture and mood, Michele's abstract landscapes come to life creating an illusion of light and depth. Her most recent water series captures the motion and transparency of water. While seeing water as an embodiment of lines and curves in complete harmony, Michele continues to be fascinated by how the wave pattern oscillates in a perfect motion.

Michele's work is represented by the Touchstone Gallery in Washington DC. She also exhibited in several Canadian galleries and art exhibits in Ottawa, Ontario and her native hometown. Since moving to Bethesda in August 2007, she completed several commissioned works and participated in art exhibits at the Embassy of Canada, the Touchstone Gallery and the Bethesda Artist Market.

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Images: **Promenade** (above right), **Within Reach** (middle left) and **Surfacing** (bottom right) by Michele Cormier