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## NADEJDA SEVERINA

1999 July Artist-in-Residence  
Moscow, Russian Federation



### *"Impressionistic Garden"*

Date Acquired: 9/30/1999, Date Created: 1999  
Framed Dimensions: 25.5 x 29.5, Picture Dimensions: 20 x 24"  
Medium: Oil on Canvasboard

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Born in Kordon, Siberia in 1955, Nadejda now lives in Moscow, Russian Federation with her husband and two daughters, Tanya and Anya. She graduated from Moscow Textile Academy in 1980.

Severina's canvases are full of poetry - full of sincere, deep feelings, and viewers appreciate the virtuosity of her artistic technique. As an artist she truly feels color; and her textured brushwork in the manner of Korovin, together with the airy flair of French impressionists, gives viewers a real delight.

In the genre of painting she can portray almost anything - timid, tender spring brings promise to the heart, and the long-awaited summer gives a modest country cottage for a brief moment a celebration of leaves. In autumn and winter, on a fresh morning, or on a quiet country evening, she finds beauty everywhere - in the wild flowers on the table, or glancing out the window of an apartment, or to seemingly familiar streets, or in her garden unexpectedly discovering some cosmic symbol on a frozen apple tree.

Says Nadejda, "The experience of creating is difficult, but filled with passion and pleasure because it affords people the enjoyment of the beauty represented. Because of this orientation, my art consists of images of what I see as beauty. I've learned that beauty is many things. I enjoy objectively expressing the beauty and feelings of a moment in time. In a natural landscape I enjoy sharing such a moment with the observer, so that the painting becomes a conduit of emotional exchange between the artist and the audience. Painting is very emotional. If I convey that to the observer I feel that I have succeeded."

The works of the artist are held in private collections in Russian Federation, France, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Japan and the USA.