



Pat McAllister

## Pat McAllister Cover Artwork: *Buffalo Warrior II*

Pat McAllister lives and paints in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, and as an artist, she states, “I try to find beauty in a world that is sometimes not so beautiful. The world of the Native American has gone through many changes, some good, some bad. It is best

to look for the good. When overwhelmed, the Native American has always been able to reach inside himself for dignity, pride and strength. This reflection of inner strength is what I seek to capture in my paintings.”

Born and raised in Louisiana, Pat began painting at a very young age. Her talents were passed on to her by her mother, Mina McKaskle, a practicing watercolor artist. Pat’s Cherokee heritage came from her father and she is a member of the Echota Cherokee Tribe centered in Alabama.

Pat received her Fine Arts degree from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. After graduation, she and her husband moved to Europe, where Pat continued to study

during the eleven years they spent overseas. Because of these years, there is a very strong European influence seen in Pat’s work. Her paintings have an “Old World” look, unusual for Native American painters. Her work is also strongly influenced by the 17th century Flemish “Dutch” school. Light against dark; texture against smooth; impasto opaque lights against transparent thin darks. Pat’s favorite artist is Rembrandt Van Rijn.

Pat uses her family and friends as models, which she places in historical settings (she is a history minor). Her purpose is to make the viewer feel like they are actually there with those people, in that setting.

Pat and her husband, Joe, travel all over the United States doing Native American art shows. They own Cherokee Mountain Gallery and Lodging in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. ♣

*For more information about Pat McAllister’s artwork, call Cherokee Mountain Gallery at (479) 253-5353 or email [patmcallister@cherokeemountain.com](mailto:patmcallister@cherokeemountain.com). To view more of Pat’s work, visit [www.mcallistergallery.com](http://www.mcallistergallery.com)*

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