VALERIE SJODIN

Valerie Sjodin lives in Hillsboro, Oregon surrounded by the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest. An artist, teacher, student, wife, and mother, Valerie paints themes that arise out of the profoundly-common.

She is inspired by the affects of light and color on everyday objects. Observers recognize life's daily cup of coffee, piece of fruit, and people relating to one another. Behind those are symbols and words that encourage the kind of thoughtful conversation intimate friends enjoy at a favorite café.

Valerie creates "textual layered paintings" comprised of translucent paint, printmaking techniques, text, and representational painting. Through these, she invites exploration of her commitment to art that gives life.