

Stephanie Jeanne Dunbar

Stephanie was born in La Jolla, California as the youngest of 5 children. She was raised in coastal North County San Diego, and has resided in coastal Carlsbad since 2004. She obtained her BA in Visual Studio Arts with honors from the University of California, San Diego.

Her art practice began at an early age, studying under her grandmother, a professional portrait and landscape painter. Stephanie's passion for art grew when she attended high school at San Dieguito Academy in Encinitas, studying art under John Ratajkowski. Stephanie went on to study Studio Visual Arts at UCSD in the Honors program under artists such as Amy Adler, Ruben Ortiz-Torres, Teddy Cruz, Ricardo Dominguez, among others. She has shown her work locally in North County, and has taught art to both children and adults in various mediums.

Stephanie's art work focuses on the narrative that exists in daily life. Connections in which common daily interactions intersect with subtle surreal moments, often including domestic subject matter or undertones. This has evolved out of the many years of being a mother, encompassing most of her adult life while simultaneously building an art practice and career.

Alongside her art practice, Stephanie cherishes her career as an educator, currently teaching as an elementary teacher at a local elementary school. She holds a degree in Child Development and her multiple and single subject teaching credential in art. Stephanie has worked with K-8 students in multiple North County San Diego schools and art studios including Rancho Encinitas Academy, The Rhoades School, Jefferson Elementary, The Kids College, McArt studio, and Carlsbad Art Farm.