

**His Witness Ministries Three Points Art Contest:
2nd Place Winner**



"Mother and Child" by Dan Dollahon

About Dan Dollahon:

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"I am an emerging artist striving to find "the light" in my paintings as well as my life. I am the father of three boys, husband of one wife and Keeper of the Flame.

I have always been fascinated by the interplay of light and shadow. How our perception of an object is determined by the amount of light it receives. From the brightest highlight to the deepest shade, the gradation of values reveals its true nature.

My own true nature is likewise revealed by the amount of light shown on it. The source of my light is Jesus Christ. The dark shadows of my life are my own sins and the gradation of values makes up who I am.

Ever since I was a little boy I loved to draw. It was the first thing I remember being recognized for and, as a result, I guess I've been chasing that recognition ever since.

In 1989 I graduated from the Art Institute of Houston with an Associate Arts Degree in Visual Communications. Soon after that, I got a job designing trade booths for the oil & gas industry.

In 1991 my wife and I started our own business, Artistic Interiors by Dollahon Design, providing faux finishing and murals for residential and commercial spaces. We have worked for various clubs and restaurants, as well as Barnes and Noble Book Store, but most of our work these days is residential. We employ two other artists and work mainly in and around Houston, although we also work in surrounding areas such as Galveston, Austin, and Georgetown, and have traveled as far as Virginia to paint murals.

For the past couple of years I have been working on a series of paintings that are an expression of my love of nature and family. I strive for the "ideal" - that fleeting moment when time stands still... and then it's gone. The settings are both real and fantasy; some I have captured with my camera and others exist only in my imagination. My style is realism, my medium of choice is oil, and my desire is to evoke emotions in the viewer that are universal; love, wonderment, and tranquility."

Additional works by Dan:

"Your Move"



"Tree of Life"

