

THOMAS WISE
ARTIST STATEMENT

I refer to myself simply as a surrealistic and abstract artist who paints with fire and passion! My works, sometimes diverse in nature, predominantly depict the emotions, and spirit within me, often based on my past and present frames of references, and/or experiences. Knowing that my GOD given creative ability is limitless, My paintings produce flowing colorful, winding, energetic, and organic abstract images, all the while being conscious of combining all these characteristics in harmony and composition, which is a product of my knowledge of Art theory . My influences with regards to artists and their styles range from Jackson Pollock, Leroy Neiman, Jonathan Green, Romare Bearden, Alma Thomas, Pablo Picasso, to my personal friends Frank Smith, James Spearman, Karen Johnson-Wyatt, Grayson Williams, and Thaddeus Foster. My love for aboriginal art shines through selected images. Hiding subtleties within my abstracts is a trait of mine, where at first glance the image may appear as an exotic assemblage of colors, only to discover at closer observation that the image of a fish, or musicians has emerged. My use of color and breaking up of space allows me the freedom to create based on my inner most spirit, telling stories of my life influences. My desire is to share ME with the world, and Art is my conduit for sharing me with others.