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WELCOME TO THE 2026 WHATCOM ARTIST STUDIO TOUR COME SEE WHERE CREATIVITY BEGINS!

The Whatcom Artist Studio Tour is a **FREE** juried event offering you the opportunity to meet the region's finest artists in their own creative spaces. This year, we have a whopping 62 artists in 40 studios, working across a wide variety of media, showing throughout Bellingham and Whatcom County. There's something for everyone.

These diverse artists open their studios to the public for two special weekends at the beginning of October. Meet the artists and get a glimpse into their creative process. Use this helpful guide to plan a route and visit the studios that most intrigue you. It's an ideal time to purchase fine art and craft from its source, whether as a gift or for yourself.

The Tour would not be possible without the support of our local community. We would like to thank our advertisers and sponsors for their belief that art is important to keeping Whatcom County vibrant. We encourage everyone to use the services of these locally-owned businesses.

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For Artists Interested in Participating in the 2027 Whatcom Artist Studio Tour, applications will be live on our website (www.studiotour.net) beginning January, 2027. Applications are due by April 15, 2027.

Help us even more by participating in our Tour Survey and be entered to win a prize. See page 9 to find out how.



Studios are open to the public from

10am to 5pm * October 3, 4 and 10, 11

Online visit us at www.StudioTour.net, on Facebook at facebook.com/WhatcomArtistStudioTour OR on Instagram at www.instagram.com/whatcomartiststudiotour

Keep This Guidebook!

You will find maps and a directory to the artists in this guide. Hold on to it to contact participating artists throughout the year. During the two weekends of the tour, there is no need to phone ahead – just go and enjoy! Yellow and black signs will guide you to their doors. We have indicated which studios offer demonstrations. Please note that some demos occur at certain times so that you don't miss out!

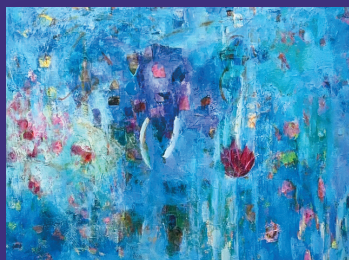
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1 BLIND BIRD STUDIO



Shawna Morris

PAINTING

I am inspired by the subtleties of color, texture, patterns and energies that I perceive in the world around me. I use mixed media with acrylic paints and paper to create abstract and representational art.

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3 APPLEWOOD FARM STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Suzanne Averre

SCULPTURE

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2 HOME STUDIO



Brian Major

SCULPTURE

As a progressive and versatile artist, my journey includes paintings, murals, and sculptures. Currently, my work focuses on comic and pop culture icons, as well as original creations. Giclee prints & original works of art are for sale.

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3 APPLEWOOD FARM STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Amy Taub

CLAY

Taub creates handbuilt clay sculptures and vessels. She predominately builds using coils and slabs that contain sand, grog, and other additives. She applies slips, sand, and oxides to create surfaces seen in the natural environment.

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3 APPLEWOOD FARM STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Don Anderson

SCULPTURE

The abstract imagery I work with is nature-based, from observation of fractals and recurring energy themes (wind, heat, waves, trees).

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Vernon Leibrant

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Brian O'Neill

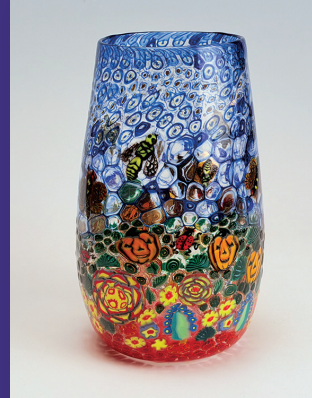
CLAY

I find great satisfaction working with basic raw materials that can be coaxed, nurtured if you will, into objects that have shape and balance — a rhythm in their proportion, scale and surface texture.

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Mark Wharton

CLAY

In his studio, Mark Wharton creates in clay, steel, and wood.

Having taught and worked in various studios, he finds inspiration from other artists and the studio's location.

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9 PHOTO ART BY TOMMY



Tommy Gibson

PHOTOGRAPHY

I believe that in photography, great images are found and then made by the photographer. A great image is made by good composition, good exposure and good processing techniques. My work exhibits all of these qualities.

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7 TOMAS VRBA STUDIO



Tomas Vrba

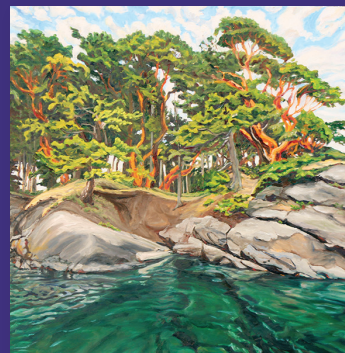
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Tomas Vrba creates large-scale sculptures in wood and metal. He uses a combination of hand and power tools and custom patinas to create monumental sculptures in metal and wood.

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10 LORNA LIBERT STUDIO



Lorna Libert

PAINTING

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11 HOME STUDIO



Carol Woolford

PAINTING

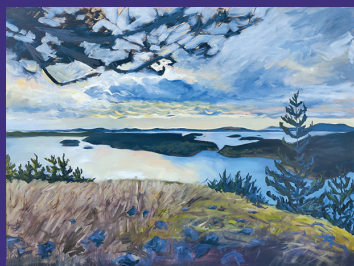
Currently I am focused on painting with watercolor. I use Arches paper, a 100% cotton paper that allows for vibrancy in colors that I love. My compositions are of the life, color and light in my garden.

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12 HOME STUDIO



Rachel May

PAINTING

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Robert Dodd

PAINTING

Within the constructs of intention, composition, shapes and value I try to create meaningful art with imagination and atmosphere. Using my own photographs and field sketches from around the world and where I live, I paint urban, plein air and industrial landscapes.

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15 HOME STUDIO



Robin Reece

PAINTING

I work semi-loosely on Arches watercolor paper using student grade paints like Cotman or professional pigments — Daniel Smith is my favorite. I look for happy accidents that suggest to the viewer what the composition is all about.

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16 HOME STUDIO



Terry Brooks

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17 HOME STUDIO



Wayne Kangas SCULPTURE

Each sculpture I create incorporates 300-1000 individual recycled and scrap steel pieces which are each ground, welded & heat treated to cast a one-of-a-kind patina on the sculpture that is both colorfully reflective & deeply textured.

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18 HOME STUDIO



Kristen Ingman PAINTING

The colors, forms, textures, and compositions I find in nature are my primary inspiration. Catch me on any trail, and there is a very good chance you would see me photographing the moment that light is sifting through the trees or reflecting off the water.

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19 MERINA GLASS WORKS



Anita Merina GLASS

I am captivated by glass. In the high heat of the kiln, colors shift and flow, hard surfaces soften and become molten; bubbles burst or become trapped beneath the surface.

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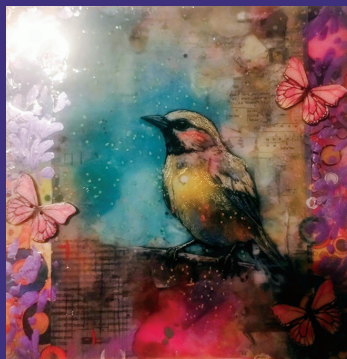
My art is inspired by the landscape of the Pacific Northwest, as well as the work of impressionist painters and traditional Chinese watercolor painters. I work in varied mediums painting with ink and watercolor. For my sculptural works, I use found natural objects.

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Shirley Erickson MIXED MEDIA

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21 HOME STUDIO



Mary Ennes-Davis MIXED MEDIA

I alter found objects using text, metal work, paint, collage and beading. The pieces are combined using cold fusion to create figures that hang on the wall. All the parts are recycled materials.

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24 STEWART WURTZ FURNITURE



Stewart Wurtz WOODWORKING

I like to use minimalist forms, often paired with simple flowing line, to help bring personality and playfulness to the work. The objects seek attention, they flirt to catch your eye, entice the viewer to come closer to touch, to explore, to discover.

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25 BIRD'S NEST DESIGN



Robin Helms

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I build solid wood furniture with visible joinery contrasting wood species and forms defined by distinctive curves and angles. Much of my inspiration comes during my custom cabinetry work — and an intentional push against the tyranny of right angles.

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26 BACK YARD STUDIO



Felicia Andreotta

PAINTING

Drawing inspiration from the Pacific Northwest, I create atmospheric and abstract landscapes that capture movement, texture, and an ethereal sense of nature.

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27 OHIO STREET WORKSTUDIOS



SHARED STUDIO

Ayla Mullen

CLAY

I see pots as vessels for storytelling; they can invoke thoughts, memories, and emotions which enliven a moment or an entire day. Clay is my canvas and my collaborator, and together we explore how to convey the poetry of the natural world.

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Kate Underwood CLAY

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29 WATERFRONT ARTIST STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Elena Abbott MIXED MEDIA

I collect and curate material from a rich archive of discarded magazines, catalogs and calendars, transforming the material into layered creations that inhabit the space between representation and abstraction.

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28 BAY STREET STUDIOS



Adrien Converse PAINTING

Adrien's lively and organic artworks express conversations between internal and external worlds. Their paintings are designed to stimulate curiosity about the depth of the human experience, appreciation for the mysterious beauty of nature and a sense of levity and dignity in the honoring of grief.

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29 WATERFRONT ARTIST STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Lisa Abbott PAINTING

Inspired by the Pacific Northwest, I create layered acrylic paintings blending nature, light and imagination. Glazing texture and metallic shimmer evoke movement, serenity and quiet magic.

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29 WATERFRONT ARTIST STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Nico Lund MIXED MEDIA

Oil painting, poetry, bookarts and music are some of the tools that I use as conductors to channel the human experience into visual narrative.

My intention is to create personally vulnerable work that resonates in a universally personal way.

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Jayne Baron PAINTING

I work in acrylic and natural earth pigment on canvas and wood panel. Endlessly delighted with the nature world, I seek to translate my unique vision into beautiful art for your enrichment.

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29 WATERFRONT ARTISTS STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Kathy Bastow

MIXED MEDIA

I've been a found-object assemblage artist, jeweler and maker of things all my life. My current work explores abstract expressionism with painting and jewelry.

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29 WATERFRONT ARTIST STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Frankie Dammann

MIXED MEDIA

I'm a mixed media artist living in Bellingham. I currently work in acrylic, graphite and ink. My work expresses a love of the unintentional compositions of patterns, lines and shapes found in both natural and urban landscapes.

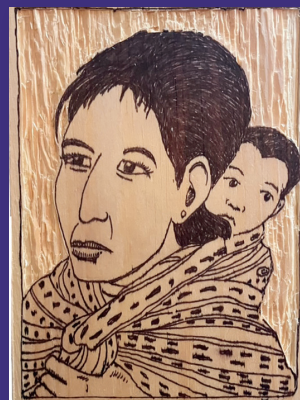
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29 WATERFRONT ARTIST STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Frank Frazee

MIXED MEDIA

I usually work using acrylic and latex paint on recycled items. My subjects include people, animals, objects, and landscapes. Exploring for the "canvases" I use is a fun part of the creating process.

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Ria Harboe

PAINTING

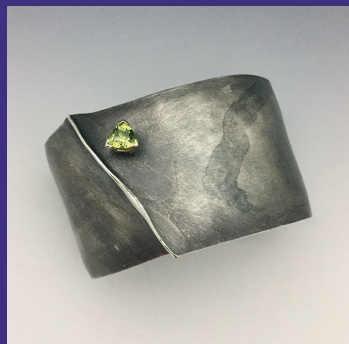
In her paintings, Ria uses bold color and impactful imagery to evoke emotion and motion. Her work reflects a love for the natural world, travel and music.

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30 FAB STUDIOS

SHARED STUDIO



Sacha Bliese

JEWELRY

Each piece is hand fabricated. I work mainly in gold with some platinum & sterling silver using precious & semi-precious gemstones and found materials.

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Rachel Simpson

MIXED MEDIA

Nature, winged animals, entomology, outer space, and marine-life are all a part of Rachel's inspiration for silk painting, collage, painting with mixed-media on canvas, wood, and archival paper. The bioluminescent colors in nature are shown in her artwork.

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Leah Meleski

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Vivian Hruska

PAINTING

I have painted since I was a teen and have been painting weekly for years and enjoy all type of creating. I use oils and mixed media — sometime fused glass or recycled materials.

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Tom Siebold PAINTING

As a figurative painter, I work to capture some level of psychological characterization or insight for each of the figures I paint using acrylic on canvas and gesso boards.

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Mimi Ortiz PAINTING

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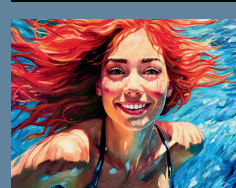
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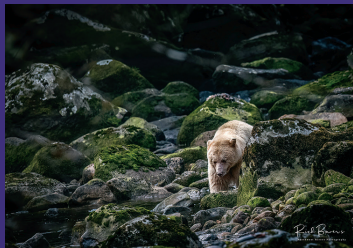


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Kathleen Ball

PAINTING

I try to include an animal in every painting. Local wildlife is best but any animal that will work with the subject matter is considered. I really enjoy including animals that aren't very popular. I also do commissioned pet portraits.

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Lori Hill

PAINTING

My work is colorful and bold with a forced perspective. I enjoy painting Fairhaven's historic buildings and have a deep love of animals. I have travelled the world and this is reflected in my art.

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Deborah Dole

MIXED MEDIA

I create fun acrylic paintings working with many layers, depth, patterns and eventually an abstracted image. I do not know where it is going while I am painting. After a certain point, an image emerges to me and then I focus on bringing that image out.

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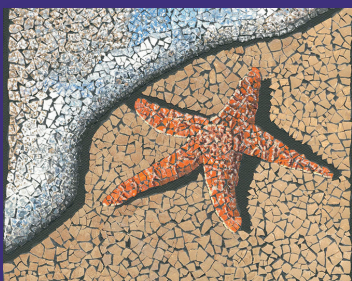
Blending oil paint and mixed media, Ceci captures the dialogue between her Guatemalan heritage and her life in the Pacific Northwest. Her work is inspired by nature's wild, sustaining forces and guided by a belief that feelings carry ancestral knowledge.

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Carol Hansen Broken for You Art

MIXED MEDIA

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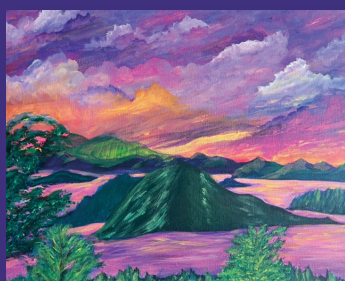
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Roxanne Michael

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Holly Zwolinski
PHOTOGRAPHY

I am captivated by the mountains and seek unique viewpoints, often discovering obscure places where the peaks reveal themselves. I aim to offer viewers a new way of seeing the landscape.

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Julie Baer
MIXED MEDIA

My work reflects close observation of small-scale unsung native vistas. I create heavily collaged mixed-media elements (including painted paper, metallic pigment, glass beads, seashells, sea glass and pebbles) on wood panels.

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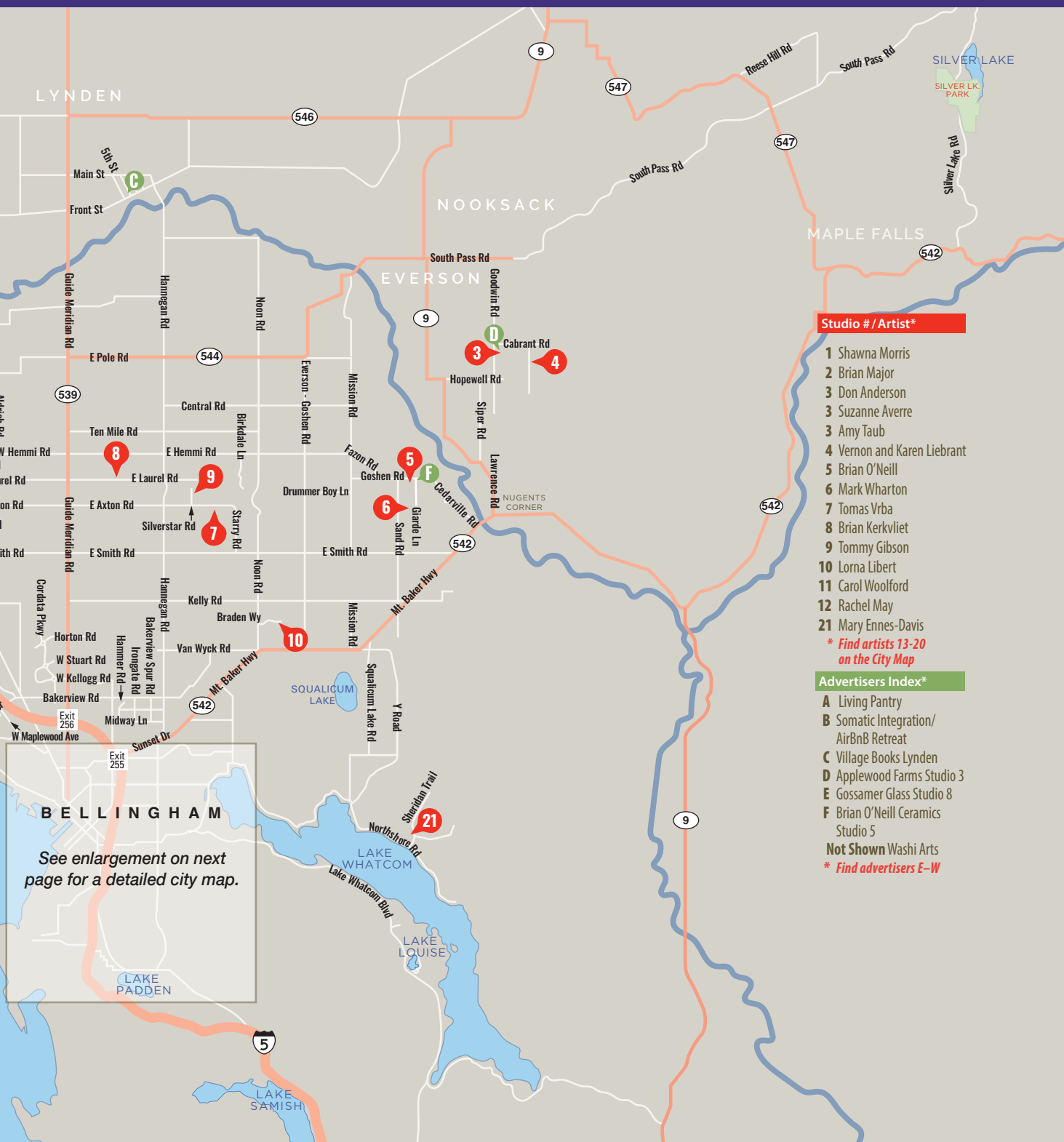
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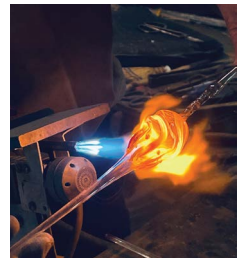
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