

# ELLEN SILVA – ARTIST RESUME



## EDUCATION

Bachelors Degree in Illustration/Design, San Jose State University

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Self-employed at Ellen Silva Creative Services since 1982.**

Directing Community Mural Workshops for children and adults

Partnering with licensed therapists to offer community with Healing Arts Workshops

Creating residential and commercial murals

## SKILLS

Seasoned professional with skills in design/illustration & project coordination.

Able to successfully manage challenging projects, clients, vendors and volunteers.

Strong team player, leader, director, facilitator, and educator working with children and adults.

Well-developed people skills, and artistic and technical know-how.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

Project management, creative direction, design, illustration, painting

## MAC PROFICIENCY

Adobe CS4: In-Design, Illustrator, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, QuarkXPress, Microsoft Office

## CURRICULUM TAUGHT

Introduction to community murals, brainstorming visual ideas relating to curriculum, sketching ideas, composition, gridding art/surface, transferring design, painting, varnishing

## ARTIST IN RESIDENCIES/PROJECTS

**WORLD** (Women Organized to Respond to Life-Threatening Illness), "We As Sisters Shine Together", Oakland, CA

**Golden Gate Fields Racetrack/City of Albany** 2011: "La Nueva Esperanza de Vivir" (New Hope for Living), 40 immigrant adults

**University Village/UC Berkeley, Albany** 2010: "It's A Small World" (9 international families)

**ER Taylor Elementary, San Francisco** 2011: Four Literary themed murals (1st & 5th grades)

**Sea Crest Elementary, Half Moon Bay** 2010: "Hopes and Dreams for the Future" (4-6th grades)

**Pescadero Elementary** 2009: "Coastal Creatures," 2010: "Save the Rainforest," 2011: "Our Desert" (4th grade). 2012 "Our Grasslands"

**Daniel Webster Elementary, Daly City** 2009: "Our Environment" (5th grade)

**Marin Country Day School, Corte Maderas** 2009: "Life Lessons" (5th grade)

**Phillips-Brooks School, Menlo Park** 2009: "Japanese New Year" (5th grade), 2011 "Yosemite" (5th grade) :

**St. Francis Center, Redwood City** 2008: "Compassion Not Judgement"

**La Entrada, Menlo Park** 2010: "The Whole Child" (4-6th grades)

**Lawton Elementary, San Francisco** 2008: "Rainforest Habitat" (1st grade)

**Puente Resource Center, Pescadero** 2006: "Visiones de Esperanza" (Visions of Hope"), 9 immigrant mothers

**Woodside Elementary, Woodside** 2005-8: "Enchanted Jungle" (5th grade), "Bugs 'n Things" (K-2nd grade), "Fairy Tales" (4-8 grade)

**Miraloma Elementary, San Francisco** 2008: "Peace in our World" (5th grade)

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, Marin City** 2007: "Dreams" (7-8th grade)

**Mid-Point Program, Baden High School, South San Francisco** 2006: "Starry, Starry Night" (6-7th grade)

**Ocean Shore Elementary, Pacifica** 2006: "Marine Mammals" (K-2), 2011: updating "Marine Mammals" (8th grade)

**San Carlos Charter Learning Center** 2005: "California Habitats" (2-4th), "Learning Tree" (4th), "Garden Gates" (2-3rd)

**Hebrew Academy (K-12), San Francisco** 2004: "Our Second Home" (10-12th grade)

**Everett Middle School, San Francisco** 2004: "Everett Turns 75" (6-7th grade)

**Stanley Middle School, Lafayette** 2002: "One World, One Heart" (6-7th grade)

**John F. Kennedy Elementary, Daly City** 1999-2003: "Experience the Magic of Learning," "Teachers Are Like Fire," "Welcome to Our World" (3rd grade), "Garden of Dreams," (1st grade, families, staff and volunteers), "Welcome to Our Universe" (all ages)

## AWARDS

**Very Special Person Award for Service to Children & Youth** California State PTA 2001, JFK Elementary, Daly City

**Featured Artist of the Month** January 2011-February 2011: Peninsula Arts Council, Belmont, CA

## ORGANIZATIONS

Graphic Artists Guild, Peninsula Arts Council, Precita Eyes Mural Center, CoCa (Colony of Coastside Artists)