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Different branches ... same tree

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Claris Robinson

John Tracy

Marge Donley

Ted Creepingbear

Abstract Jan Bradfield showcases and describes the artistic works of different artists.

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Different branches...

The work of Claris Robinson is straight forward, with direct, strong lines and elegant curves. Her work, with its simplified rhythmical elements, brings to mind the Regionalist or American Scene painters, which included Alexander Hogue and Thomas Hart Benton.



Claris Robinson

County Fair

s Robinson

linoleum cut



John Tracy II creates watercolors that are a glorious mixture of realism and passion. His technique is truly flawless and often inspired. At times his landscapes are near abstractions, at other times they are naturalistic realism.

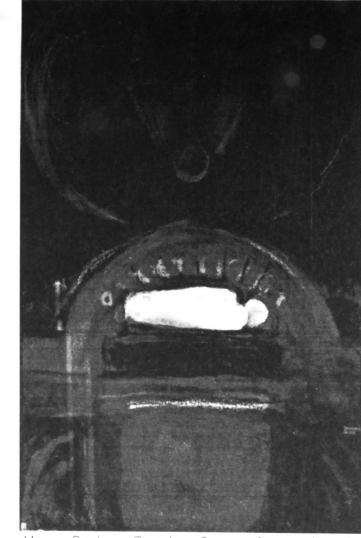
John Tracy II

Untitled

watercolor

... same tree

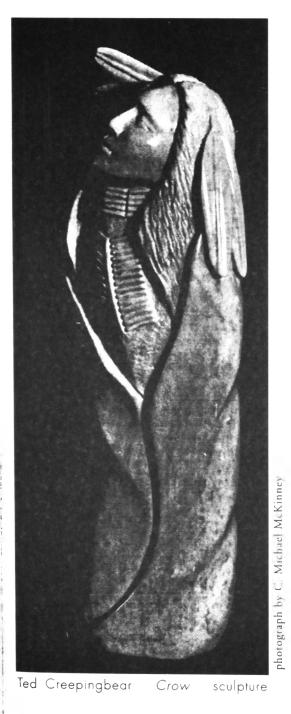
by Jan Bradfield



Marge Donley Guardian Series #3 mixed media

The work of Marge Donley is complex, mysterious and poetic. Her body of work is diverse, as is her use of media. Sometimes sculptural and other times two-dimensional, her work is colorful, intense, and thought provoking.

Ted Creepingbear carves in stone that he quarries himself, just south of Weatherford. His sculptures are traditional Native American images, with clear lines and strong form.



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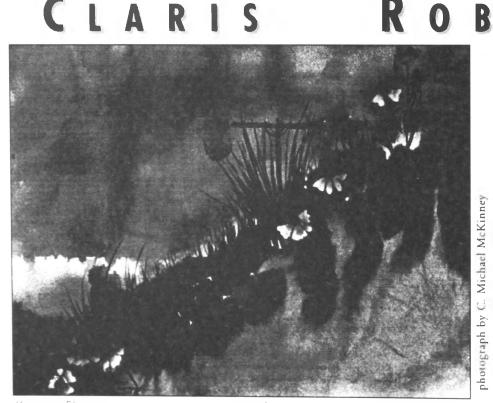
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Kansas Flowers

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LA

watercolor

date unknown

There is nothing pretentious about the work of Claris Robinson. It does not aspire to be anything more or less than what it is. The color is bold. The line has the graceful calligraphic quality of fine Japanese prints. The space has the powerful mood of nature's rhythms and cycles. Unpredictable patterns of forms

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layered against space create compositions both interesting and musical. And like good music, her work is a pleasure to experience again and again.

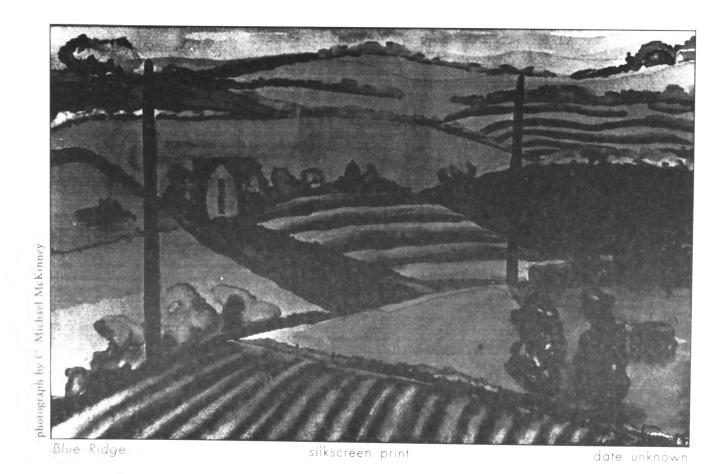


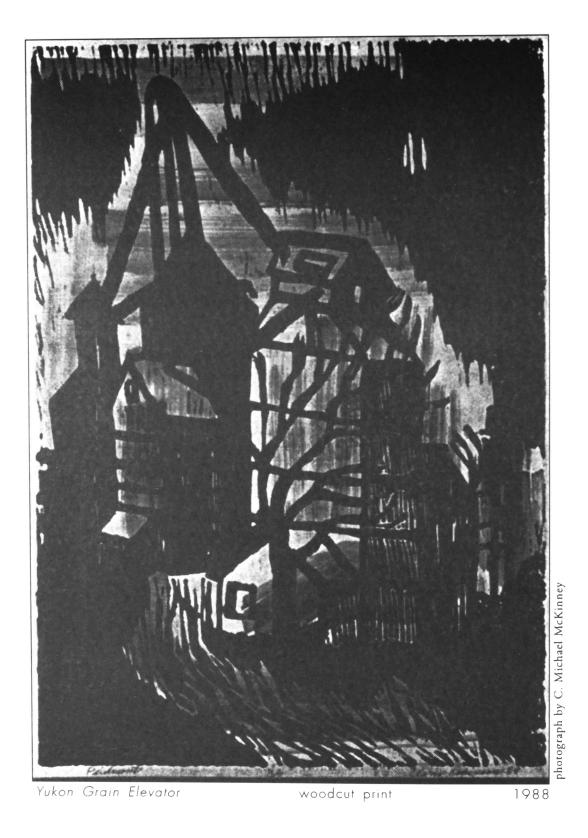
Both silk-screen series were done from the hill east of Weatherford, where the 3M plant now stands. The silk stocking row series of prints uses transparent inks to build layers of colors.

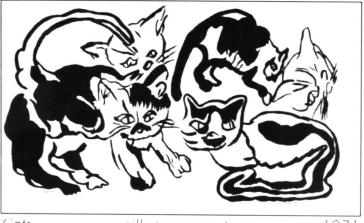
Silk Stocking Row

silkscreen print

date unknown







Cats

silkscreen print

1971



Cat

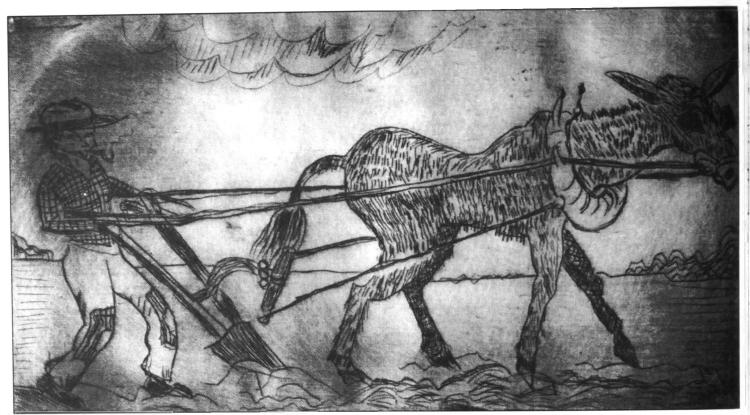
linoleum cut

1962



My Old Cow

1973



Ozark Gardening

dry point etching

1974



Moss dry point etching 1974



Girl with Vase

lithograph

1978

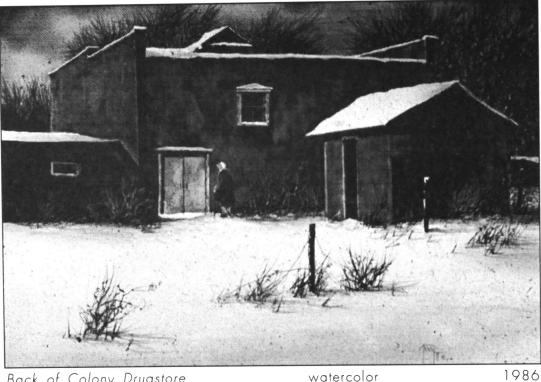


Church Camp

lithograph

1978

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As an artist, John Tracy II, creates his own style of painting. Southwest scenes and subjects from Native American Indians are brought to life in his realistic work.

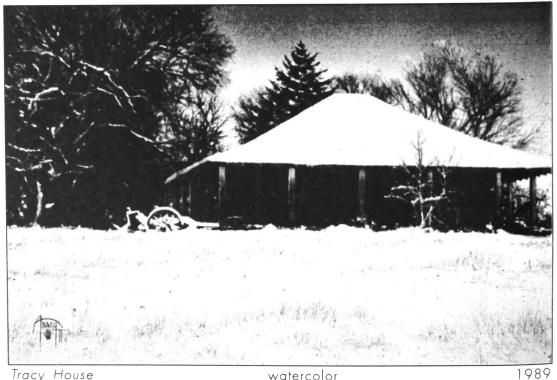
John's landscape and wildlife paintings depict scenes from locations surrounding his hometown, Mountain View, Oklahoma, as well as other areas of the nation.

He has been a professional and full-time artist since 1971.

Back of Colony Drugstore

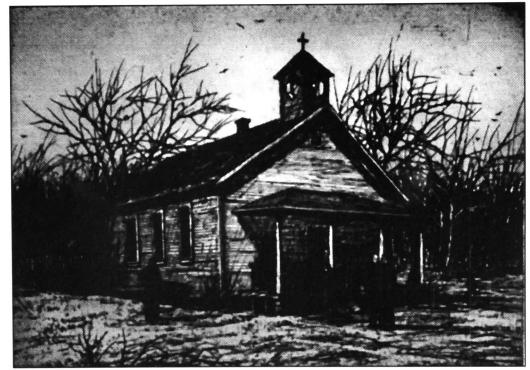
watercolor





Tracy House

watercolor



Rock Springs Baptist Church

etching

1975

TRACY II



John earned his degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

He has won many honors and major awards in competition and his work is exhibited in public and private shows throughout the United States and abroad.

John and his wife, Mickey, own and operate Tracy's Studio in Mountain View, Oklahoma.

Homestead

watercolor

1985



Mission

watercolor

1986



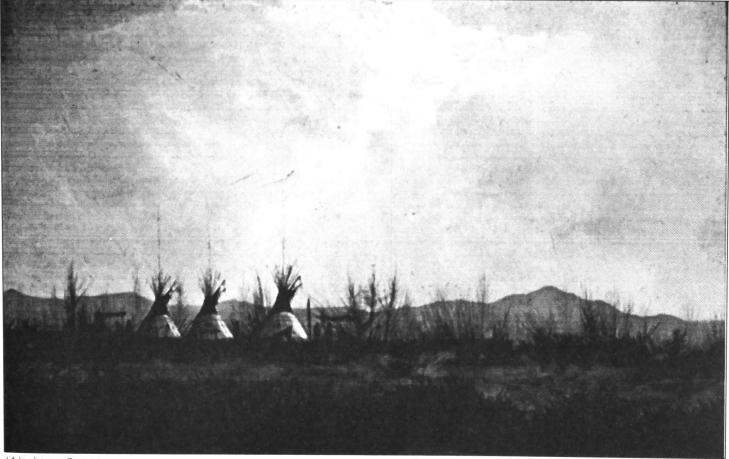
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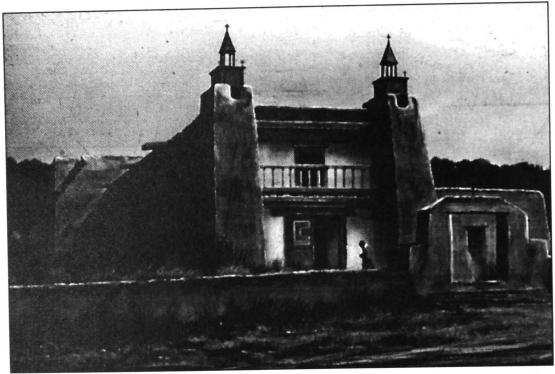
watercolor

1985



Wichita Spirits

1989

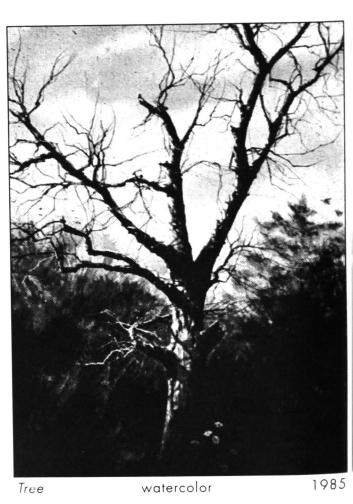


Mission

watercolor

1986

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In addition to dry brush watercolor, John also does mixed media, oil, etching and gouache.

He sells high quality reproductions and original artworks.

leaves

watercolor

1985

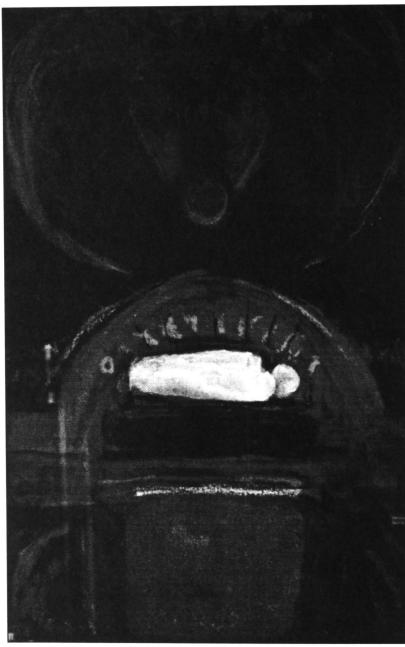


Blue Eyes

watercolor

1989

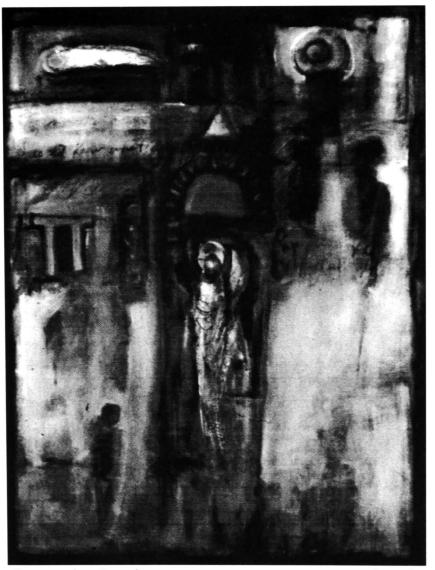
MARGE



Guardian Series, #3

mixed media

DONLEY

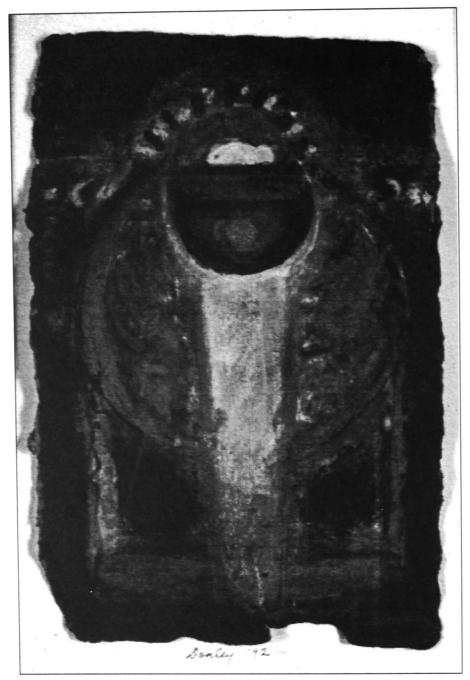


Comes, the Guardian

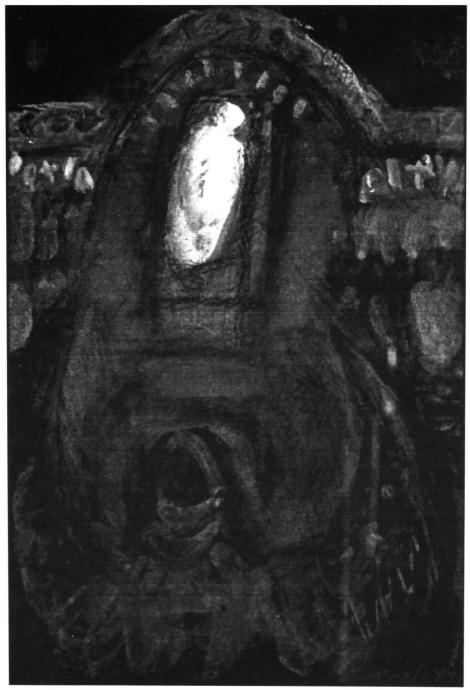
mixed media

Marge Donley teaches studio Art at Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

The reproductions here, in grayscale, do not reveal the gold leaf and wonderful colors she uses to express both thought and feeling.



Guardian Series, #2 mixed media on handmade paper



Guardian Series, #1

mixed media

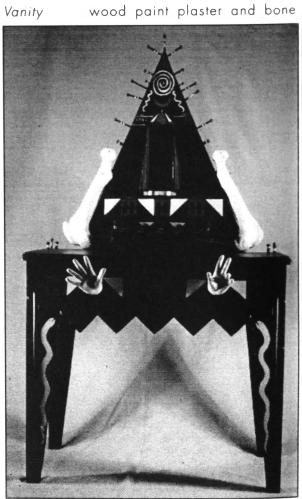
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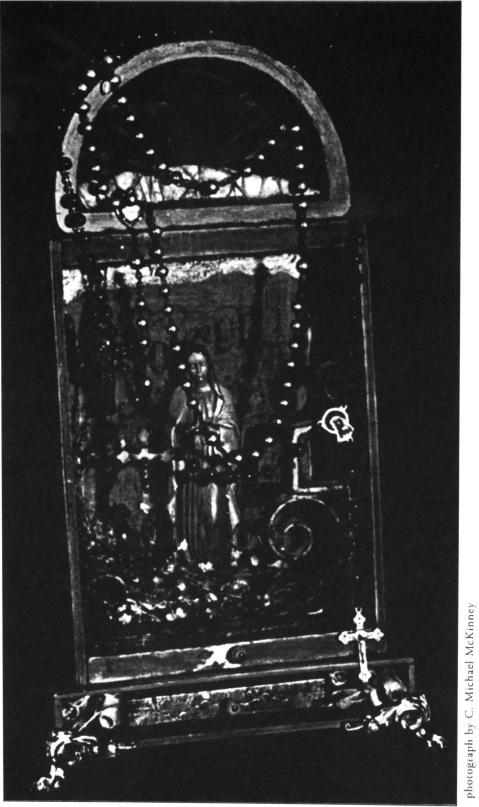


Celebration of the Female Child

mixed media

wood paint plaster and bone

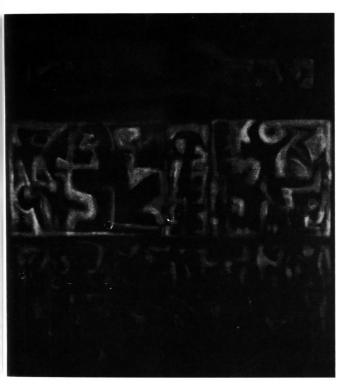




Prayer Box

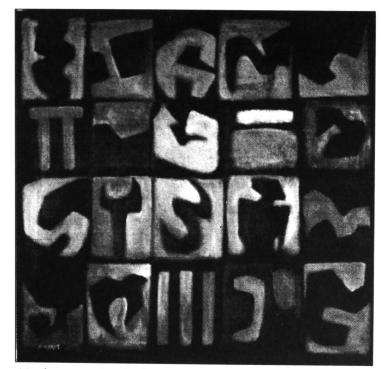
mixed media assemblage

Corners of Heaven handmade paper from wasps' nest, wool, paint and sinew



Evolution

mixed media



Meditation Symbols

mixed media

TED CREEPINGBEAR



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Sioux

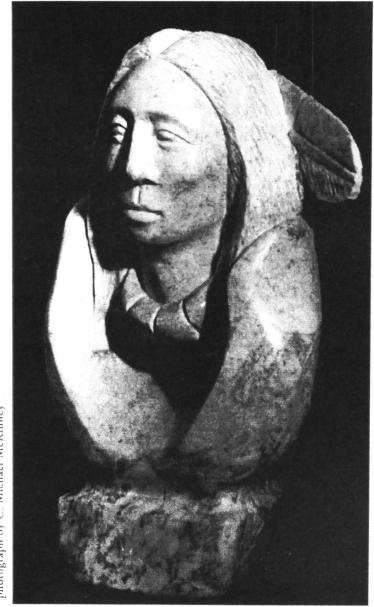
alabaster sculpture



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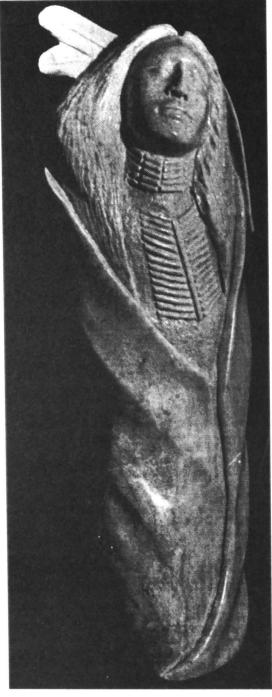
alabaster sculpture

photograph by C. Michael McKinney



Untitled

alabaster sculpture





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Crow

alabaster sculpture



The Day the Mormons Came to Visit alabaster sculpture

