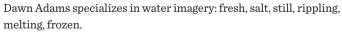


(below) Dawn Adams. Photo by Martin Boling









She focuses on water because the paintings could be both representational and abstract. "Water changes things," she notes. "Reflections, sparkling water, the light going through. You can hardly believe it exists in reality, it's so magical."

The paintings are never dark and stormy. "I want my art to help people feel better and be healthy," Adams says. "I want the work to be soothing." Visit dawnadamspaintings.com.

