



## MONTANA TRAILS GALLERY

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### **Beth Loftin**

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Beth Ann Loftin was born in the spring of 1961, in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, a small town located in the historically vast tallgrass prairie of the Osage Hills. She began showing a keen interest in drawing and painting as early as 4 years old.

Best known for her figurative western oils and acrylic paintings, with nostalgic themes and bold use of color, she has also enjoyed considerable success in bronze sculpture, pencil drawings and pastels.

Ms. Loftin's work has been featured in many one-person and group shows in such fine galleries as the Edith Lambert Gallery in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Chaparral Fine Art in Bozeman, Montana, Legacy Fine Art of Scottsdale, AZ and Mountain Trail Galleries in Cody and Jackson Hole, Wyoming. At the early age of 16 she was given her first one-woman show at the Oklahoma Territorial Museum in historic Guthrie, Oklahoma.

In addition, her work is in private, public and corporate collections in the United States and abroad, including those at the Kameoka Historical Museum, Kyoto Japan, and the Latvian Artist Association in Riga, Latvia.

Ms. Loftin is the recipient of numerous commissions, for private collections, and book and magazine illustrations. In 1999 she was chosen to be the featured artist for the Jackson Hole Fall Arts Festival and poster artist. Ms. Loftin has been featured in articles in many prominent magazines including Southwest Art, Big Sky Journal, Western Art and Architecture, and Oklahoma Today.

After receiving a full art scholarship from the University of Science and Art in Oklahoma in 1979, Ms. Loftin attended college until 1982 and has since worked exclusively as a visual artist.

Ms. Loftin currently maintains two studios. The northern studio is located outside of Big Timber, Montana, on a ranch surrounded by wilderness, prairie and mountains. While the southern location is nestled in a country setting outside of historical Perry, Oklahoma amongst the rich heritage and secrets of the 1800's land run that settled Indian Territory.