

## Professional Artist Biography

**Astrid Stöppel** was born on the 7th of June 1974 in Weilheim, Germany. After her studies in biology and human genetics in Munich she decided to enter in the own family business, a store with books, stationery and art supplies located in Weilheim. Working there requires a lot of time, creativity and passion, but she really loves this job until now. The different colors and the white, large canvases, which she daily sold in her shop, attracted her in a magical way. She finished her first large abstract artworks.

Her first exhibitions took place in the store rooms and shop windows there with great success. The first step into the world wide web was the creating of a blog and a Facebook page named Endkreativ. In 2014 Astrid Stöppel designed her own professional homepage, created various social media profiles and became a member of various online galleries and art blogs. Now she gets invitations to national and international group or solo exhibitions as well as art fairs and art events. Also she has been nominated for several art awards.

Astrid has experimented with several mediums, such as oil pigment sticks, watercolor and ink, but acrylics tend to her most preferred medium. At the moment she works on two very different styles. The different series with acrylic colors „colorful acrylics“, „no colors“ and „famous colors“ are painted on large canvas - strong and powerful colors or sometimes softer ones - on a white or black background in different motions. The other series „fluid acrylics“ is very emotional. With a special technique on paper the colors merge - sometimes more, sometimes less - and harmonize on their own way. Two series, one artist...soft and full of feeling on the one hand but straight, powerful and passionate on the other.

Astrid believes: „If your dreams don't scare you, they aren't big enough!“

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