# Cailin Green

Award-winning graphic designer, owner of Avalon Design graphic design studio (retired), teacher of art, vocals and guitar; singer/songwriter/recording artist with Campbell + Green, currently living in Nova Scotia, Canada



As a child, Cailin had a strong desire to create. She was perfectly happy alone in her room, drawing, painting, reading, and singing. In high school, Cailin's art and music teachers argued over which discipline she should focus on in her studies.

Cailin ended up choosing art, but also continued with her music through participating in musical theatre, choir and guitar lessons.

After high school, Cailin went on to study art (including drawing, painting, and graphic design) at Concordia University in Montreal, achieving a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a major in drawing. Figure 1: Birdbath, 20" x 16", oils on canvas



#### Career

After university, Cailin went on to spend the next thirty years in the printing and graphics industry, the last 15 of which she owned her own freelance design studio working with clients across many sectors.

She has had the opportunity to design everything from corporate logos to trade show displays, brochures to billboards, and everything in between. It was her work on publications for municipal government that earned multiple platinum awards in the graphic design industry.

Figure 2: *Conrad Beach*, 11" x 14", acrylic, paint pen on canvas



Figure 3: *Flowers Of Gold*, 8" x 10", paint pen on canvas

#### **True Passions**

Cailin now follows her true passions - fine art and music. She always felt that her graphic design career, while successful, was a compromise.

She strongly believes that 'it's never too late!' and enjoys working with 'grown-ups' to bring out the best of their creative abilities, whether it be art, music or just plain fun.

Figure 4: Daisies, 20" x 16", oils on canvas





She currently teaches creative art drop-in classes, guitar and vocals, and displays her work at *The ArtZone Gallery* in downtown Halifax. Figure 5: London Flat, 20" x 16", paint pen, acrylic on canvas



Figure 6: *Fall Leaves*, 20" x 16", acrylic, paint pen on canvas



### **Current Direction**

If there's one thing that Cailin finds important above all else in art, it is to go forth fearlessly.

It doesn't matter what anyone else thinks, if you enjoy creating something, do it for the sheer joy.

Most likely, the finished product will be appreciated by others far more than artwork created without joy.

Cailin encourages her students to try any style or medium they feel drawn to. There is no rule that says you must stick to one way of doing things unless you love it. Be bold!

She is presently is exploring the art of meditation through art creation using pattern and repetition.



Pattern is one of the oldest art techniques/styles, and continues to catch our eye, mesmerize us, and pull on our psyches.

Figure 7: Floral Mandala, 8" x 10", paint pen, acrylic on canvas

> Figure 8: Large Mandala, 24" x 30", paint pen on canvas

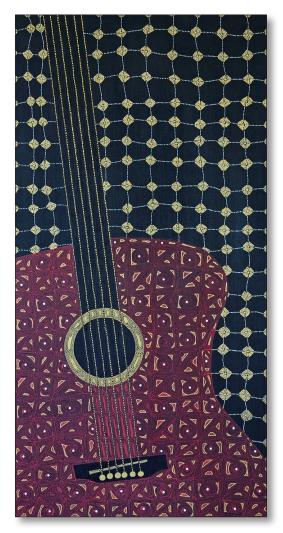
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#### **Photography** Much of Cailin's art is inspired by her own

photography; an ability she honed over the years while working in various careers, including graphic design. Since then, her camera is never far from her hand.

Figure 10





Guitar, 12" x 24", paint pen on birch board

Figure 11: Junk Drawers, found objects





Figure 13

She loves the ability to study a subject in more detail when enlarged on the computer screen – and nature offers a universe of detail.

Figure 12





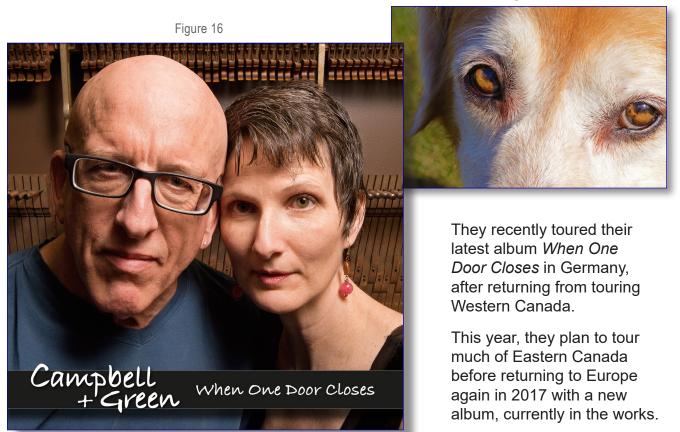


## Music

In addition to art, Cailin is also a singer/ songwriter and is one half of husband and wife duo, *Campbell* + *Green*.



Figure 15



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