

# LINDA VALLEJO



*"Eternal Seed", oil on canvas, 60x48", 2000*

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Howell Green Fine Art Gallery is pleased to announce an exclusive exhibition of Linda Vallejo's powerful and spiritual paintings. The show will run from July 5 through August 5 at the Howell Green Gallery located in the Pine Tree Circle Center, in the heart of Topanga Canyon.

**Artist Linda Vallejo states:**

The "Los Cielos" 1996-2000 Series seeks to integrate my understanding and experience of ceremony, personal love of nature, and healing through nature. "Los Cielos" depicts celestial figures floating in surrealistic skies. One of my goals as a painter has been to touch collective unconscious and I believe that "Los Cielos" has been successful in reaching a place deep within the viewer. It is my hope that these works bring peace, healing and balance to the viewer." To date, I have completed over fifty "Los Cielos" paintings in acrylic and oil on canvas. Each painting contains a minimum of 100 layers of paint, taking over one year to complete.

I have always seen my environment from a natural, rather than an urban viewpoint. My good teacher, Twyla Nische, a Seneca Oneida elder, taught me that we can know and understand our 'natural selves through nature,' and have held this truth as a guiding point in my life and creativity. I search for this natural environment, even while surrounded by the ever-present and immense urban sprawl.

This natural environment is an exact mirror of our bodies, mind, spirit and creativity. The place in which the earth meets the sky is a parable of the human condition. The horizon line reflects the physical body with its curving, undulating lines and hardened forms; and the sky above, with wind, sun, storms and quiet speaks of the mind, spirit and creativity, and all of their unpredictability and volatility.