## **SANDRA CHERK** Pastel Paintings • February 6- May 27, 2024

Sandra is a native Californian whose art is inspired by the hills and coastlines of Northern and Central California. Essentially self-taught, Sandra has considered herself an artist all her life, but started painting professionally with watercolors over 30 years ago. 20 years ago, the lure of the rich and bold colors of pastels swayed her to shift her palate and medium. Her pastel work captures the deep colors and textures of her native coastal landscapes. "I use pastels to paint the places I love. I feel fortunate to live in this area of spectacular beauty--the forests, ocean, and open hills. With a second home in Greece, also close to the mountains and sea, I am doubly lucky. I am struck by the atmosphere, interplay of sunlight and shadows, natural compositions in the scenery and village architecture. I strive to create images you can walk into, and feel the spirit of the place!" The vivid colors and workability of pastels have allowed her to develop California landscapes with her trademark softness, serenity and depth.



Alfaro Vines Soft Pastel \$600



**Capitola Beach** Soft Pastel \$450



Johnston House Soft Pastel \$600



Flaming Leaves Soft Pastel \$175



Sierra River Rocks Soft Pastel \$450



Wilder Ranch Spring Soft Pastel \$450



House on the Hill Soft Pastel \$350



Sunset on the Rocks Soft Pastel \$475



Tamalpais Paradise Soft Pastel \$1,000



Venetian Morning Soft Pastel \$400



Lefkada Shore Soft Pastel \$450



Sea on Lefkada Shore Soft Pastel \$450



Glimpse of Sea Soft Pastel \$400



Spanish Storm Soft Pastel \$1,200

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