

## **Charles Ellis**

I often paint as an escape from the monotony and rigors of daily life. My hope is that those who see my work will escape into the scene I have attempted to capture on the canvas.

When painting I use vivid, bold colors to draw the viewer into a field or the countryside where they can reflect on all that God has created. Most all my work is nature based with an emphasis on dirt roads, worn fences, and old barns. These relics of times past offer both myself and hopefully the viewer a chance to think back on times when things moved more slowly; a time when fences weren't always used to keep people out and when barns served so many purposes in everyday life. I hope that as you look through my work, you see colors that you may have never seen before. I hope you walk away with a different perspective on something you have passed every day of your life without giving it a second thought. I hope that you can just take a breath and enjoy all the natural beauty around us.