

## Meet Artist Nicole Monahan Creator of This Year's Poster Image

We'd like to thank artist Nicole Monahan for donating the watercolor and ink painting *A Garden for All to Love* featured on this year's tour poster. You will be able to meet Nicole and see her current works of art for sale in Garden #4.

Nicole grew up in the heartland within an endless sea of corn, so she dove into art and nature to find adventure. After graduating from the University of Illinois, she moved to Seattle and worked as an architect for over 10 years focused on Green Building. While pregnant with her third child, she began the switch to a more whimsical art form—illustration for licensing. Now, from her creekside studio surrounded by ferns and frogs, she teaches art and creates nature inspired illustrations for clients around the world. When she is not creating art, she is blissful in the garden or exploring life with her family and many, many pets.



Nicole Monahan is the Vice President of the Woodinville Arts Alliance, Mentor for the Woodinville Teen Arts Alliance, and an active member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, National Arts Education Association, and the Woodinville Chamber.