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The Artwork and Poetry of Liliya Sitkovskaya

Dedicated to my Lady-Bird
Veronika Moroz

"Last Rays of Sunlight on the Charles River" Liliya Sitkovskaya

Thank you

I appreciate all the people, who have opened for me the art of painting, guided me in my artistic journey and helped me in my intention to advance my painting skill.

I came to Boston from Ukraine in 1997. I have never painted before and never thought about doing painting. That time I attended BHCC to improve my English.

In college, I met **Phyllis Akillian**, the art class teacher, and became her student until 2005. Thank you, Phyllis, my great appreciation and regards.

Later on, in 2009, I took a watercolor class with **Gary Tucker**, a great teacher and friend, my "Big Brother". Going along with my teacher in painting at Kaji Aso Studio, I discovered the beautiful world of watercolor. I was trying to accomplish the composition, the nuances of color tone, gradation, the ratio of water component to move further in my imagination to a fantastic world of sensation and deep feeling. Thank you, Gary.

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