

**Fall Watercolors  
by Michelle Tschetter**

- **Walsenburg – The Miner’s Tags:** Walsenburg was called the “City Built on Coal” during the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Each coal miner was assigned a number which appeared on a metal tag that was taken off a board by the miner as he entered the mine and replaced on the board when he exited the mine.
  
- **La Veta – The Valley:** The “V” shape symbolized the Valley where La Veta is nestled, and the colors represent the stunning sunsets over the Spanish Peaks.
  
- **Cuchara “ –Layers”:** Inspired by the rolling layers and colors of the Cuchara landscape, and reflected in the rich geological diversity of the area.
  
- **Gardner – Floral Tie Dye:** In the late 1960’s, Gardner became a sanctuary for people looking to live a free life in Southern Colorado. This painting represents the colorful history of Gardner, and plays on the word “Gardener” with this colorful floral abstract design.