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**"Fine Line"
Art**

Andrei Protsouk's
art is all about the
lines.



Left photo: Artist Andrei Protsouk brought with him to the United States from his home in Donetsk, Ukraine, an art style that relies on well-defined lines and bold colors.

Right photo: "Pampered," oil on canvas, 52 x 36 inches, by Andrei Protsouk.

When it comes to the fine art of Andrei Protsouk, "fine line" is the recurring theme throughout his works. The canvases and linens are etched with his paint brush through which "his soul" creates an image of love and beauty using defined lines and the right texture to bring out every beautiful color he lays on the canvas.

Protsouk's passion for art has been with him throughout his life, originating in Donetsk, Ukraine, where he was born and raised. He credits his parents with structuring his path of enlightenment and cultural education.

Protsouk's talent was first noticed in elementary school where he was scrutinized by his teachers for doodling during class. But it was his teachers who recognized his talent for art and transferred him to the Donetsk School of Art. After graduating with near perfect grades, he applied at the Lugansk State School of Fine Art and graduated from there in 1981.

His teachers at Lugansk encouraged Protsouk to continue his art education by applying to the prestigious Repine Academy of Art in St. Petersburg, where his talent was further developed.

Graduation from the Repine Academy marked 17 years of art education for Protsouk, and the artist was more than ready to share his works with the world. In 1992, he moved to the United States. He has held many shows in Soho, New York, and where he now lives—Stroudsburg, PA.

But it was at his first Artexpo New York in 1997 where the artist says he "struck oil." After that, Protsouk says he became prolific, painting as many as 150 originals in a single year.

After experiencing great success from consecutive Artexpos, Protsouk, in 2001, started his own publishing company—Art and Design Publishing—which produces giclées of the artist's works.

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