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Morgan Auten Smith is an abstract painter and elementary art teacher from northeast Georgia. Although Morgan knew from a young age that she wanted to be an artist, she started college as an English major, until a late-night editing project with a friend made her change her mind. The next day, she changed her major to art education with the goal of following her heart and earning a paycheck.

Art education was not just a means to an end for Morgan, but also a passion. She says “I love teaching creativity to kids and showing them all that they are capable of. It is not my goal to ‘make it’ as an artist so that I can quit teaching. I always want to be able to do both.”

Morgan’s work is bold, calming, and beautiful. Through her own joyful take on color and shape, she explores the intersections between individuality and motherhood. Her work is heavily influenced by her family, her interests such as reading and music, and the time she has spent living abroad, specifically in Kandern, Germany. Currently, Morgan resides in Gainesville, Ga with her partner Joshua and twin children, Allistair and Penelope.