

Izabella Orzelski is an acclaimed artist and devoted educator with an MFA from the New York Academy of Art and a Ph.D. in education from the University of Alberta. She has received prestigious awards and grants, including the Winspear Fund Grant and Dahesh Museum Award in New York. Her commissioned works include striking life-size portraits of notable figures like Dr. Harriet Winspear and the late Honourable Lois E. Hole. She has exhibited portrait series across Canada. For the past 20 years, Izabella has taught art at the University of Alberta's Faculty of Extension and enjoys sharing her expertise as an art teacher in the Edmonton Public School District. She has presented at Teacher's Conventions and spoken at national and international conferences. Izabella believes in the fusion of being a passionate educator and an exceptional artist, inspiring others through the transformative power of art.