

Dona Gelsinger - Biography

From a young age, Dona Gelsinger developed a deep love and appreciation for art. She spent hours observing her grandfather as he painted oil landscapes, marveling at how each brushstroke told a story and captured a memory. These moments ignited her passion for storytelling through art. Dona later pursued formal education in art at California State University, Long Beach, and began her career as a staff artist in advertising after graduation.

After starting a family, Dona transitioned to freelance work. Her first major commission was a series of 14 lifesize Stations of the Cross paintings for St. Denis Church in Diamond Bar, California. This ambitious project was both a tremendous blessing and a milestone for the young artist, marking the start of a lifelong mission to use her God-given talent to inspire and uplift others.

Over the past three decades, Dona has continued to captivate audiences and spread joy through her work. Her paintings bring life's most cherished stories to canvas, whether depicting a serene Nativity scene or a rustic mountain cabin. True to the lessons of her grandfather, Dona pours herself into every piece, creating art that resonates deeply with viewers.

Dona has collaborated on creating licensed merchandise with globally recognized brands and icons, including Mariah Carey and the Home Shopping Network, Pepsi, Coca-Cola, the NFL, NCAA, MLB, the U.S. Army, Hershey, Realtree, and more. Her art has generated well over \$100 million in retail sales and has been featured in major retailers such as Walmart, HSN, QVC, Dillard's, and Hobby Lobby, further showcasing its broad appeal and impact.

Dona and her family reside in the scenic Rogue River Valley of Southern Oregon, where the region's stunning natural beauty and vibrant wildlife serve as constant sources of inspiration for her creations





