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To be creative during the pandemic was a challenge! I tried many different art mediums such as: India ink, micron pens, acrylics, and oils. I tried different types of watercolor paper, yupo paper, rice paper, rough paper and smooth paper. I used plastic wrap, resistance materials and mixed media as I experimented. I took online classes that were challenging to me. I also joined the RVA Urban Sketchers, a group that meets outside at various locations. While I didn't produce anything exciting or extraordinary during the pandemic, it gave me time to practice and experiment. There wasn't any pressure to produce artwork for display. This break in routine, though not planned or enjoyed, was beneficial to me. My artwork for this exhibit is much like all my previous artwork, but I am more relaxed with it. The pandemic gave me time to enjoy watercolor painting without putting so much pressure on myself to emulate other, more fashionable styles. I have accepted my own style. That acceptance is a good thing. I hope you enjoy this exhibit.