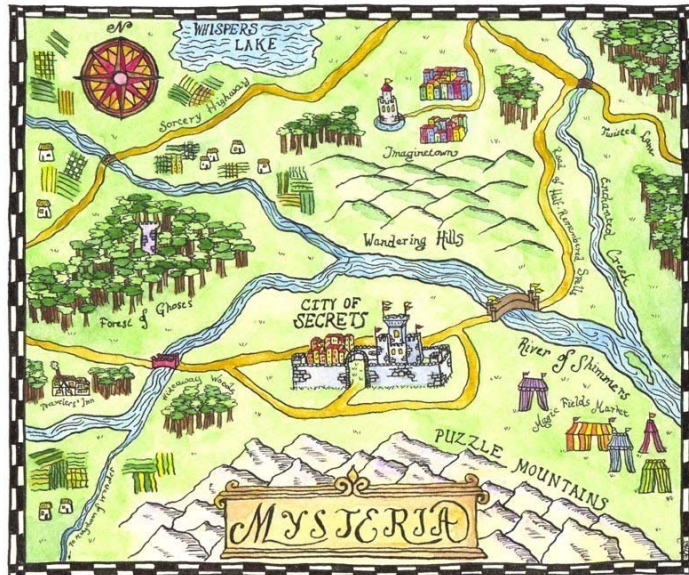


Alison Murray Whittington  
Hampton Roads Artist



Mysteria Full –hand drawn map

With dip pens and watercolors, and drawing inspiration from hand-drawn medieval maps, old seafaring lore, classic fairy tales and ancient legends, Alison Murray Whittington makes maps and artwork for explorers who seek adventure in the realms of imagination, delight and wonder.

Alison, who has obsessed over reading, travel, drawing, and maps as long as she can remember, sees this journey as a mapmaking artist as inevitable. She's not an expert on ships, castles, sea monsters, or even maps, but is thrilled by the chance to spend every day drawing them. She is crazy about vivid colors, incredible adventures, intriguing stories, magical settings, books of all kinds, and subtle jokes. One of her many dreams is to build her own sailboat and sail around the world. She doesn't know how to sail yet, but she'll learn.

She is originally from California and grew up in Nevada. She studied international relations and print journalism at the University of Southern California, lived in eastern Germany as an exchange student in high school, studied in the Czech Republic while in college, reported for newspapers in the Los Angeles area, and produced television in Philadelphia. She now lives with her husband, a submariner, in Chesapeake, Virginia, in a wacky house built long before they were born.

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