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### About the cover

Ona Golden works with watercolor, oils, acrylics, and gourd art. She was raised on a small farm in Illinois and received her formal training in art at Northern Illinois University, De Kalb, Illinois. She incorporates many objects found in nature into her gourd art such as cactus, driftwood, and bones, as well as silver, copper, and brass pieces made by the artist herself. Upon her move to Arizona in 1999, her interest in watercolor and oils shifted to Southwest Art with desert landscape scenes and pottery images. The watercolor on the cover is entitled, "Barnyard Beauty." It is 16 inches × 20 inches and was painted in 2008.

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