



Jane Deborah (Simonson) Ramsey was born on October 23, 1958 in West Hartford, Connecticut. Her parents moved to Bucks County in 1960 and settled in the little village of Lumberville, along the banks of the Delaware River and canal.

Growing up in Bucks County, Jane was immersed in a community of artists. Friends and neighbors were artists with working studios. Jane's father was a woodworker and part of a gallery in New Hope in the late 60s. Her mother tutored students at home and wrote poetry. She played a vital role in encouraging Jane to observe and draw to her heart's content.

Endless hours sketching and drawing made up a huge part of Jane's childhood. The path towards art school was always in sight. Jane studied at Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle, Washington. Cornish, a small art school dedicated to all of the arts (theater, printmaking, fine art, music and graphic design), offered small class sizes with working artists as adjunct faculty. Jane graduated with a BFA in design with an emphasis in illustration.

Jane has been published in "100 Plein Air Painters of the Mid Atlantic," by Gary Pendleton, Schiffer Publishing. In addition to her paintings, Jane is a published illustrator of children's books. "Madam President - Five Women Who Paved the Way," by Nichola Gutgold features Jane's watercolor illustrations of five women who ran for the presidency and is now in its third edition. Another book, "Kenny and the Blue Sky," features watercolor paintings and was released January 2018.

From 2009 to 2019, Jane participated in numerous plein air juried art events and group shows throughout the Mid-Atlantic region. Land and farm preservation is close to her heart and Jane has spearheaded and participated in exhibits to benefit many Bucks County conservation groups.

In 2021, Jane purchased Simons Fine Art Framing in Dublin, PA where she maintains a working studio and fine art gallery featuring her work. Jane also offers private instruction in watercolor painting and drawing.

Over the years, Jane has been active in regional arts organizations and currently serves on the board of the Arts & Cultural Council of Bucks County. She lives on a farm in Bedminster Township, Bucks County.