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### ***Hollis Chatelain Biography***

**Hollis Chatelain** was born and raised in Pennsylvania, but lived 14 years of her adult life overseas in Switzerland and in four West African countries. At the end of 1996, she moved back to the United States. Her current studio and home are in Hillsborough, North Carolina. Chatelain's educational background is in design and photography. She has worked in the arts in one form or another since 1976. She began her career as a textile artist in Africa, where her interest was sparked by the richness and beauty of African fabrics that are ever so integrated into the everyday life of Africans. Her distinctive use of colors and imagery as well as her dye-painted scenes of multicultural life have brought her international recognition. Chatelain's work can be found in public and private collections in Europe, Asia, South America, Africa and North America. In addition to creating her textile art, she lectures and leads workshops on drawing, color, dye painting, quilting and West African textiles.