

# Cindy Chischilly

## Biography

Cindy Chischilly is Diné (Navajo) and is based on Duwamish Territory in Seattle, where she works as a graphic designer, business owner, illustrator, and educator. From her start at an international design firm to her work as co-founder of White Canyon Design, Cindy brings over twenty years of experience in brand design for retail, entertainment, packaging, and web to a diverse base of clients. She has worked as an adjunct professor, teaching branding and design at Cornish College of Design. Cindy is community-driven, bringing awareness of Indigenous issues to the forefront of her work. She believes good design can change our world.

## Artist Statement

I start by conceptualizing bold graphic sketches, usually quick pencil drawings. Then I use paint and ink to bring the piece to life. Once the painting is done, I scan it, bringing the image into my computer where I digitize it and add color.

I create my work to bring awareness to Indigenous issues. To bring that awareness to the forefront. As an Indigenous woman, I use my voice to amplify the MMIWG movement and honor our stolen sisters.