

Simonetta Occhipinti has dedicated her life to botanical painting since her youth, she has also studied the ancient Flemish and Renaissance painting techniques for a long time, enriching her knowledge by attending a school of pictorial restoration and ancient decoration techniques.

She has exhibited her works in numerous personal and collective exhibitions organized in prestigious venues such as the Natural History Museum of Florence, the Ducal Palace of Camerino, the Accademia dei Georgofili, the Lindlay Hall in London, the Botanical Gardens of Florence, Lucca, Padua, Edinburgh, the Villa Bardini Museum in Florence, the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation in Pittsburgh.

In February 2016, she won the gold medal at the "London Botanical Art Show" organized by the Royal Horticultural Society by presenting eight tables on the citrus fruit of the Medici crops. In May 2019, she won the gold medal at the Biscot international competition, organized by Gardening Scotland and the Royal Botanic Garden in Edinburgh. Also in 2019, one of her works (*Solanum lycopersicum* var. *Datterino*) was requested by Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh to become part of the permanent collection of the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation.

She is currently a member of the "American Society of Botanical Artists". She lives and works in Tuscany, in the countryside on the hills of Florence.