



Leah, would you briefly introduce yourself?

My name is Leah Solomon. I'm Canadian, from Calgary but I've been living in New York for the past eight years. I'm a designer, so I'm not a professional artist in the way I don't draw in my day-to-day life but I really enjoy drawing and painting and part of my vacations I wanted to learn more and to do some more artwork.

Is it the first time you come to Barcelona? Were you motivated by an artistic aim?

Yes, it is. I'm on vacations but while I'm on vacations I like to do things, and meet people and learn. I love the art and I was interested in the art seen in Barcelona and I wanted to learn new skills. I found [ArtistsLoveBarcelona](#) website and I thought that would be a great experience.

How long do you stay in Barcelona?

I'm here for three months. It makes you knowing a place deeper and feeling as if you were living here. I also visit tourist places but it's totally different than making a tour of 14 cities in two weeks. Going to classes – I also go to yoga class – make you take habits in the city and knowing a lot of different people.

Do you think that Barcelona is a good place to create?

Sure! There is an energy and liveliness that inspires me to do something creative. I spend much time drawing the city, the people, and the scenes. I'm also taking a lot of photographs, and I attend the drawing classes in order to draw the city better.

Learning about architecture and the history is a good way of discovering the place and remembering each detail. Especially if you take photographs and if you draw, because when you draw you really look at whatever it is, you really look at the Gaudi building, at this fountain or at this street. This is very interesting to me.

Studying with someone and learning new techniques really has helped me and so I feel more confident in the street when I'm trying to do sketch and I enjoy it a lot. When you art draw, always people stop and stay "hola" and show their interest in you work. It's a really fun way of talking to all kind of people! And people in Barcelona are very friendly.

Leah, what's your personal appreciation about Barcelona?

It's an exciting city! There's so much to do here. Just every little street is so interesting and very great to be walked down, because there's so much happening. Anyway it's the first time I do this kind of vacations and I really love it!

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