

TRAVELERS DIARY

## Meet Lori Faye Bock

We have to admit it... we love our job. Every month we get to travel far and wide, visiting beautiful places, and meeting amazing Chico's women from coast-to-coast. Sometimes we meet someone so inspiring, we want you to meet her too. This month, we'd like to introduce you to Lori Faye Bock, a New Mexico based artist who lives and works just north of Santa Fe.



### Hello Lori Faye, how are you?

I'm having a great day, thanks!

### Happy to hear it. Let's start with your art – tell us a bit about it.

I have four different series of paintings: animals, windowscapes, ABC's and women's perspectives. In a nutshell... I hope all my paintings sing joy, happiness, passion for living, humor and whimsy. I enjoy commenting on objects and situations, as evident with the text which has found its way into many of my paintings.

### At Chico's, we're big fans of color, and we love the ones you use in your paintings. How do you choose them?

A lot of them are colors I see on a daily basis here on the farm...and I use what is know as a 'mother color'. I've altered this technique a bit – but basically I choose one color and add it to every color I use on a painting. It helps tie everything together. Like when someone is trying to put an outfit together.

### We noticed that you have a few pets...

I have six dogs, five indoor cats and 31 sheep and they all have names.

### What makes you laugh?

The silly things I do by accident. I turned 50 a couple years ago and have been amazed by the things I'm doing – and not doing. I guess that happens when you get older, but I'm honestly just loving living the 2nd half of my life. Someone once said that you spend the first half of your life learning, and the second half of enjoying what you've learned. It just keeps getting better and better.

### Guilty pleasure?

My homemade carrot cake with cream cheese frosting and bread pudding with bourbon sauce!

### What makes a good friend?

Someone who is encouraging and supportive of your endeavors and who is there for you ... regardless.

### What are you grateful for?

I am grateful for being able to enjoy the simple things in life, like going to work in my pajamas with a cup of tea in hand, followed by a host of darling faces who just happen to have whiskers... and the opportunity to be a small businesswoman and entrepreneur.

### Favorite vacation spot?

Here on our 18th-century farm, down on the Chama River with the dogs, a good book and a glass of something refreshing.

### Words of wisdom?

Enjoy each step of the way.

*Spend some time with Lori Faye Bock – and her dog Flash – at [chicos.com](http://chicos.com), and at [www.lorifayebock.com](http://www.lorifayebock.com).*