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Vicente A. Paratore, of North Scituate, Rhode Island, has been visually impaired since 1986. Vicente has painted all his life, and when his vision began to fail, his struggle to remain a successful artist impressed many who heard his story. This story is documented along with a sample of his painting in "The Very Special Arts 1990 Calendar".

Vicente now paints using his feeling and emotion, coupled with an incredible ability to visualize his artwork -- despite his lack of vision. His latest work is powerful and moving; his technique totally unique. His ability to overcome overwhelming odds in order to continue his contributions to the art world is a tribute to the spirit of the many artists worldwide who face physical or mental challenges.

*Vicente A. Paratore*

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