

Artist's Statement and Biography

About seven years ago, after toiling as a corporate lawyer for 19 years, I tucked away my old briefcase and turned my full attention to painting. Back to school I went, at the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts, which provides classical training in the academy tradition.

As a *plein air* painter, my new office is an outdoor one. Throughout the year, I venture to various rural and coastal sites here in Connecticut, and elsewhere in New England. And, every summer I travel to the beautiful Maine coast, including the legendary and breathtaking Monhegan Island (where it has been said that you can't swing a dead cat without hitting a painter). I also enjoy doing still lifes, which lend themselves to exciting uses of color and composition.

Painting changes how you see the world, particularly how light, color and atmosphere are observed. A strong painting should convey the essence of those elements from nature to canvas. There's a delicate balance between painting in a representational style and conveying something emotional and expressive. It's about leaving something unsaid that each viewer may interpret individually.

Education

2004-07 Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts
1981 Lehigh University, B.A., *magna cum laude*
1984 Fordham University School of Law, J.D.

Studied with Jerry N. Weiss, Mary Beth McKenzie, Hollis Dunlap, Colin Page, Michael Peery, Susan Stephenson and Peter Zalinger, among other wonderful instructors.

Association Memberships

Elected Artist Member, Lyme Art Association
Elected Artist Member, New Haven Paint & Clay Club
Glastonbury Art Guild

Private Collections

John G. Roberts, Jr., Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court
Kevin J. Lipson, Senior Partner, DLA Piper
Thom Filicia (interior designer and former co-star of "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy")
Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven
Welles-Turner Memorial Library (Glastonbury, CT)
Ruth Keeler Memorial Library (North Salem, NY)

Selected List Juried Shows and Exhibitions

Glastonbury On-the-Green Fine Arts Show (First Place, 2011)
Lyman Allyn Museum (New London, CT)
Ruggiero Studio & Gallery (Madison, CT)
The Cooley Gallery, annual holiday exhibitions (Old Lyme, CT)
Gallery Wright (Wilmington, VT)
New Haven Paint & Clay Club
Celebrate West Hartford (Best in Art, 2004)
The Guilford Art League
West Hartford Art League (Honorable Mention)
The Slater Museum (Norwich, CT)
Revival Home (W. Hartford, CT)