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Artist's Statement / Biography

My academic background is in the field of literature, but I have also had a lifelong interest in the history and theory of art and started painting in my youth in Germany, always equally drawn to abstract compositions and more or less representational landscapes.

A professor emeritus at the University of Iowa, I moved to New England in 2005 and now reside in Hampton, NH. I have participated in various juried exhibitions in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. My paintings have also been exhibited in solo and small group shows in several galleries. I am a Juried Associate Member of the Pastel Society of America, Juried Member of the New Hampshire Art Association and the Art Guild of the Kennebunks, Signature Member of the Pastel Society of New Hampshire and the Pastel Society of Maine, and Master Artist of the Newburyport Art Association.

While I endeavor to capture the atmosphere, topography, light and colors of various locations in the United States, Canada, and Europe, I am less concerned with “realistic” representation of observed landscapes than with creative stylization and abstraction. My creative process often also results in imagined landscapes and non-representational abstracts. Pastel has been my favorite medium for many years, but I also enjoy working with oil and acrylics.

Education

Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania (1975)
M.A., University of New Hampshire (1970)
B.A., Philipps University of Marburg, Germany

Professional Positions

Professor Emeritus, University of Iowa (2006 -)
Professorships at University of Iowa (1977-2006, Department Chair, 1988-1996, 1999),
Swarthmore College (1976-1977); Lecturer at University of Pennsylvania (1974-1976)
Resident Director, Academic Year in Freiburg, Germany (2000-2001, 2004-2005)

Membership in Art Associations

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| Pastel Society of America, Juried Associate Member | Art Guild of the Kennebunks, Juried Member |
| New Hampshire Art Association, Juried Member | Newburyport Art Association, Master Artist |
| Pastel Society of New Hampshire, Signature Member | Abstract Artists Group of New England (NAA) |
| Pastel Society of Maine, Signature Member | |

Recent Group Exhibitions

2020

- **New Hampshire Art Association:** *Small Works Gallery*, Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, Portsmouth, NH, ongoing; *Perfect Pairings*, Feb. 5 – March 1
- **Newburyport Art Association:** *Gift Shop: Small Paintings - ongoing*; *Winter Members' Juried Show, Part 1*, Jan. 10 – Feb. 1
- Ongoing Exhibits with **Alpers Fine Arts**, Andover, MA, in **Marelli's Market** in Hampton, NH

2019

- *Two of a Kind*, Jan. 30 – Feb. 24; *33rd Annual Omer T. Lassonde Juried Exhibition “Fresh View – A New Perspective”*, Apr. 3 – 27; *Currents*, June 5-30; *Plein Air Exhibition – Beyond the Studio*, Oct. 2-27; *20th Annual Joan L. Dunfey Open Juried Exhibition*, Oct. 30 – Dec. 1; *All That's Merry and Bright*, Dec. 4 – 29
- **Pastel Society of New Hampshire:** *14th Members' Exhibition*, Jaffrey Civic Center, Jaffrey, NH, June 2-28; *11th Annual National Juried Exhibition “It's Pastel”*, Discover Portsmouth Center, Portsmouth, NH, Oct. 25 – Nov. 30
- **Pastel Society of Maine:** *19th International Juried Exhibition “Pastels Only”*, Saco Museum, Saco, ME, Sep. 11 – Oct. 26
- **Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod:** *National Juried Exhibition “For Pastels Only on Cape Cod 2019”*, Cultural Center of Cape Cod, South Yarmouth, MA, July 17 – Aug. 11

- **Newburyport Art Association:** *Gift Shop: Small Paintings* - ongoing; *Winter Members' Juried Show, Part 1*, Newburyport, MA, Jan. 11 - Feb. 2; *Winter Members' Juried Show, Part 2*, Feb. 8 – March 2; *Spring Members' Open Show*, Apr. 5-27; *Abstract Artists Group of New England 18th Annual Exhibition*, July 9-21; *Eight Cubed*, Aug. 9 - Sep. 1; *Master Artists Show*, Sep. 17-29; *Fall Members' Open Show*, Sep. 20 – Oct. 12; *Fall Members' Juried Show, Part 1*, Oct. 18 – Nov. 2; *Fall Members' Juried Show, Part 2*, Nov. 8 – 23; *2019 Holiday Show & Sale and Off the Wall*, Nov. 29 – Dec. 24
- **Art Guild of the Kennebunks:** *June Show*, The Masonic Lodge, Kennebunkport, ME, June 14-16; *August Show*, Community House, Kennebunkport, ME, Aug. 30 – Sep. 1; *Brick Store Museum Exhibit*, Kennebunk, ME, Sep. 13 – Oct. 13
- **The Keefe House at Woodman Museum (Pine Tree Pop-Up):** *5th Annual Holiday Artisan Faire*, Dover, NH, Nov. 29 – Dec. 22
- **G. Willikers:** *Exhibition of Families First's "2019 Artists of the Seacoast" calendar's artists*, Portsmouth, NH, Jan. 2-31
- **Great Bay Discovery Center:** *15th Annual Art of Great Bay Show*, Greenland, NH, Apr. 5 – 7
- **Alpers Fine Arts:** *Flow*, 10 Post Office Avenue, Andover, MA, June 11 – Aug. 24
- Ongoing Exhibits with **Alpers Fine Arts**, Andover, MA, in **Marelli's Market** in Hampton, NH, and **Just Us Chickens Gallery** in Kittery, ME

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Solo Exhibitions

- York Public Library, York, ME: *Landscape Paintings*, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011
- Lobby for the Arts, Provident Bank, Hampton, NH: *Landscape Paintings*, Mar. 4 – May 31, 2012
- Center for the Arts, New London, NH: *Landscape Paintings*, May 1 - July 31, 2012
- Lane Memorial Library, Weston Gallery, Hampton, NH: *New England Landscapes in Pastel*, Aug. 1-31, 2012
- Partridge House, Hampton, NH: *Art for the Ages*, Sept. 14, 2012
- Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante, Newburyport, MA: *The New England Landscape in Pastel*, July 1–Aug. 31, 2013
- Just Us Chickens Gallery, Kittery, ME: *Landscapes and Abstracts in Pastel*, Sept. 3-28, 2013
- Hampton Town Hall, *Landscape Paintings*, Hampton, NH, Sept. 6-30, 2013
- Seacoast Repertory Theatre (NHAA), *Paintings*, Portsmouth, NH, June 13 – July 19, 2014
- Farley's, *Landscape Paintings*, Newburyport, MA, October 7-21, 2015

Awards

- New Hampshire Art Association: Prescott Park Arts Festival Open Juried Exhibition, First Prize (2014), Honorable Mention Award (2016); Dunfey Open Juried Exhibition Honorable Mention (2018); 20th Annual Joan L. Dunfey Open Juried Exhibition Honorable Mention (2019)
- Newburyport Art Association: NAA Honorable Mention Award for Work in Pastel (2013), Laura Coombs Hills Award for best work in pastel (2014), NAA Honorable Mention Award for Work in Pastel (2015); Laura Coombs Hills Award for best work in pastel (2018), Institution for Savings Charitable Foundation Award for Best Work in Oil (2019), Newburyport Bank Award for Best Work in Oil (2019)
- Art Guild of the Kennebunks: 2nd Place (2012), 1st Place Pastel (2013), 1st Place Pastel (2014), Best in Show (2014), People's Choice Award (2016), 1st Place Pastel (2017), 1st Place Pastel (2018), 1st Place Pastel (2019)
- Pastel Society of New Hampshire National Juried Shows: Pastel Painters of Maine Award (2012, 2013), All-In-One-Easel Award (2014), Heilman Designs Award (2015)
- Pastel Society of New Hampshire Members' Exhibitions: Soltek Easel Award (2008), Barbara B. Danser Founders Award (2009), Teresa Kimball Award (2012); 2nd Place (2019)
- Pastel Painters of Maine International Juried Exhibitions: Merit Award (sponsored by Pastel Society of New Hampshire, Pan Pastel, and American Frame) (2016)
- Pastel Painters of Maine Members' Exhibitions: 3rd Place (2010), Honorable Mention (2011)
- York Art Association Juried Exhibitions: 2nd Place (2009), 2nd Place (2010), Honorable Mention (2010), 2nd Place (2011), First Place (2012)

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