

KATHY KURLA

Kathy Kuryla's vibrant images come alive in her landscape and still life pastels and oils, combining both abstract and realist interpretation. She has followed her heart to pursue her artistic passion, transitioning in 2005 from a successful 25-year career as a residential and contract interior designer. Kathy has studied with Gayle Clark Fedigan of Newburgh, NY, Karen O'Neil of the Arts Students League of New York, Wolf Kahn of the National Academy School, Hollis Dunlap of The Lyme Art Association, Margaret Dyer and Barbara Archer Baldwin.

Kathy relocated to Cornwall, NY from Southbury, CT in 2000 where she lived with her patron and husband, Francis Dance, until 2010. From October 2010 through June 2013, Kathy lived in Beijing China. During this time, she traveled extensively throughout Asia. While in Beijing, Kathy studied with Yu Long Fei, at the Feifanhuanshi and with Patty Hudak at her studio in Huantie Art City.

Upon returning from Beijing, she furthered her artistic development by participating in workshops with Stan Sperlak, Mike Beeman, Jacob Aguiar, Alain Picard, Laura Pollock, Dawn Emerson, Heather Arenas and Tony Allain and she continues to study with Margaret Dyer and Barbara Archer Baldwin.

Since 2016, she winters in Englewood FL where she is a member of multiple art centers. She summers in Lyme CT, where she is an associate artist at the Lyme Art Association.

Awards

June 2006	Artists on Campus, Mount Saint Mary College Pastel Category - First Place
June 2007	Artists on Campus, Mount Saint Mary College Pastel Category - First Place Pastel Landscape Category - First Place
June 2008	Artist on Campus, Mount Saint Mary College Gayle Clark Fedigan Landscape Award Best Landscape Pastel

- June 2009 Artists on Campus, Mount Saint Mary
Best in Show
- June 2010 Artists on Campus, Mount Saint Mary College
Gayle Clark Fedigan Landscape Award
- February 2020 Left Coast Pastel Painters Society (LCPPS), "Pastels
in Paradise", Certificate Of Merit, judge
Mike Beeman PSA, AIS, IAPS-MC
- February 2023 Left Coast Pastel Painters Society (LCPPS),
"Pastels in Paradise", First Place, judge Jeri
Greenberg, PSA, IAPS-MC

Group Exhibitions

- March 2006 "Think Green" Kingston Members Group Show
- September 2006 Chapel Art Gallery, "Irish Class Act", Mariandale, NY
- October 2006-2007 Artists in the Garden, Vanderbilt Mansion, NY
- July 2007 The Art Students League of New York
- January 2008 Edward Hopper House Art Center, Member Show
- September 2008 Faculty & Staff Exhibition, Vytlačil Campus,
The Art Students League of New York
- October 2008 "Student Concours" Karen O'Neil Class, Vytlačil
Campus, The Art Students League of New York
"Honorable Mention"
- December 2008 "Holiday Show" Vytlačil Campus, The Art Students
League of New York
- January 2009 Edward Hopper House Art Center, Member Show
- January 2010 Hudson Valley Gallery, Smallest Canvases,
"Honorable Mention"
- April 2005 - 2010 Garrison Art Center, Member Show

June 2006 - 2010	Artists on Campus, Mount Saint Mary College, Newburgh, NY
August 2009-2010	National Arts Club, Online Members Exhibition
December 2012	Orchard Restaurant, Hegezhuang Village, Beijing, China "Painted at the Orchard"
February 2014	Edward Hopper House Art Center, Member Show
June 2014	Mount Saint Mary Desmond Campus Show
Oct - November 2014	Women Who Pastel, Karpeles Manuscript Museum, Newburgh, NY
November 2014	Celebrating Lyme's Beauty, Paint-out Banningwood Preserve in collaboration with Lyme Art Association & Lyme Land Conservation Trust
December 2014	Celebrating Lyme's Beauty, exhibit moved to Lyman Allyn Art Museum, New London, CT
September 2017	Painter Fine Art, Old Lyme, CT
February 2019	LCPPS, "Pastels in Paradise", North Port Art Center
February 2020	LCPPS, "Pastels in Paradise", North Port Art Center
February 2023	LCPPS, "Pastels in Paradise", North Port Art Center
March 2023	Boca Grande Art Center, 2023 Member Show

Juried Exhibitions

May & October 2005 through 2010	Garrison Art Center, Artist on Location Live & Silent Auctions
September 2006	Woodstock School of Art, Regional Exhibition
October 2007	Connecticut Pastel Society 14th Annual National Exhibition "Renaissance in Pastel 2007"
September 2008	Hopper House Art Center, "15th Annual Small Matters of Great Importance", National Juried Exhibition

June 2009	Hopper House Art Center, "Top to Bottom: A Hudson River Map Installation"
May 2012	XYZ Gallery, 798 Art District, Beijing, China "Art & Friendship"
May 2014 through 2017	Garrison Art Center, "Riverside Art Auction"
July 2016	Celebrating Lyme's Beauty, Paint-out, Hamburg Bridge, Lyme Art Association & Lyme Land Conservation Trust
October 2017	CT Pastel Society, "Renaissance in Pastel 2017"
November 2017	Lyme Land Conservation Trust, "Moulson Pond"
June 2018	Lyme Art Association (LAA), "Summer Painting"
September 2018	LAA, "New England Landscape Invitational"
April 2019	North Port Art Center, "The Best of the Best"
June 2019	Lyme Art Association, "Waterworks"
August 2019	Lyme Art Association, "Fresh Expressions"
September 2019	Lyme Art Association, "New England Landscape"
February 2020	Left Coast Pastel Painter's Society, "LCPPS Annual Pastel Show"
July 2021	Lyme Art Association, "A Century of Inspiration"
September 2021	Lyme Art Association, "Hello Yellow"
June 2023	Lyme Art Association, "Expanding Visions"

Member

Lyme Art Association, Associate Member, Lyme, CT
 Left Coast Pastel Painters Society, Venice, FL
 North Port Art Center, North Port, FL
 Visual Art Center, Punta Gorda, FL
 Boca Grande Art Center, Boca Grande, FL

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