

Laura Culver

California Landscapes

Background:

Laura Culver was raised in Orinda, CA and earned a B.S. in Graphic Design from UC Davis. After a career in stock photography and advertising, she settled in San Rafael CA, and for several years was an artist specializing in Hand-Colored Photography. However, her life changed in 2006, when she chanced upon a local oil painting class. A little fun became a driving passion, and she left the photography behind to pursue the creativity and challenge of plein air (outdoor) oil painting. Focusing on the "Colorist" approach, she gradually developed a distinctive style and palette of intense warm and cool colors. She has studied with Camille Przewodek, the Marin Art School and many others. Her oils have earned invitations to annual art shows including West Marin Wild, the Bolinas Museum and MarinScapes. She is an Artist Member of the California Art Club and also a member of the BayWood Artists, a small group of plein air painters dedicated to the preservation of local open spaces.

Statement:

My goal is to see with my heart and eyes, and paint the landscape in the language of light. The balance between warm and cool colors is of utmost importance to me.

Galleries:

Sage Gallery, Novato CA Gallery One, Petaluma CA Studio Gallery, San Francisco CA

Selected Exhibitions:

Glimpse of Nicasio / Invitational • Druids Hall, Nicasio, CA. Oct 2017, 2018
BayWood Artists / OneTam Benefit Show • Marin County, CA Oct 2016 – 2018
Mill Valley Fall Art Festival / Juried Festival • Mill Valley, CA. Sep 2015 – 2018
MarinScapes / Juried Show • Escalle Winery, Larkspur, CA. July 2009 – 2018
Marin County Fair / Juried Show • Multiple accepts & awards. San Rafael, July 2006 – 2018
Marin Open Studios • Artist's Home Studio, San Rafael, CA. May 2006–2018
Golden State Splendor / CAC Juried Show • Santa Paula Art Museum, Santa Paula, CA. July 2017
Reflections in Water / CAC Juried Show • St. Mary's Museum, Orinda, CA. June 2016
Terrain / Invitational • Studio Gallery, San Francisco, CA. Feb 2015, 2016
Gallery Route One / Juried Show • Point Reyes Station, CA. Jan 2009 and 2016
Bolinas Museum Mini Show / Invitational • Bolinas Museum, Bolinas, CA. Nov 2010 – 2017
50 Yrs. of Pt. Reyes Nat. Seashore / CAC Juried Show • Olema, CA. Jan 2012
Robert Allen Fine Art / Invitational, 6 artists • Sausalito, CA. June 2010
Treasures of the East Bay / CAC Juried Show • Alameda, CA. Mar 2010
West Marin Wild / Invitational • Historic Red Barn, Pt. Reyes, CA. Sep 2009

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