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Sarah Blumenschein

Artist Biography:

Sarah lives in Albuquerque with her husband and 4 children. While art has always been a passion, she studied engineering in college and worked for Intel for 14 years before "retiring" to stay home with her kids and study painting.

Artist Statement:

"I find myself primarily drawn to painting "still life" because of the variety of colors, shapes, textures, and reflective surfaces possible. I enjoy the challenge of capturing a strong sense of light and creating the illusion of 3-dimensions on a 2-dimensional surface."

Recent Awards and Exhibitions:

- 2009 Pastel Journal Grand Prize Award - Pastel Journal "Pastel 100" competition
- 2009 2nd Place and People's Choice - Pastel Society of New Mexico 18th National Exhibition
- 2009 Official Poster Artist - 2009 Weems International Artfest
- 2009 1st Place and Finalist in Still Life - The Artist's Magazine Annual Competition
- 2009 Pastel Society of America 37th Annual International Exhibition for "Pastels Only"
- 2009 International Association of Pastel Societies 13th Juried Exhibition
- 2008 2nd Place and Honorable Mention in Still Life and Floral - Pastel Journal "Pastel 100" competition
- 2008 Pat Berret Award - Pastel Society of New Mexico 17th National Exhibition



- 2008 Presidents Award - Pastel Society of the West Coast 22nd "Pastel USA" International Exhibition
- 2008 1st Place Pastels - New Mexico Masterworks 10th Annual Exhibition
- 2007 Anita Louise West/Terry Ludwig Award - Pastel Society of New Mexico 16th National Exhibition
- 2007 4th Place and Honorable Mention in Still Life and Floral - Pastel Journal "Pastel 100" competition
- 2007 NavLink Award - Pastel Society of the West Coast 21st "Pastel USA" International Exhibition
- 2007 International Association of Pastel Societies 10th Juried Exhibition - Naples, Florida
- 2007 New Mexico Masterworks 9th Annual Exhibition
- 2007 5th Place and Honorable Mention in Still Life and Floral - Pastel Journal "Pastel 100" competition



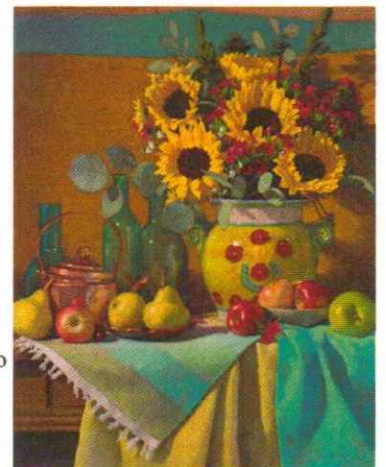
- 2006 4th Place and People's Choice - Pastel Society of New Mexico 15th National Exhibition
- 2006 1st Place Pastels - New Mexico Expo Fine Arts Exhibition
- 2006 Pastel Society of the West Coast 20th "Pastel USA" International Exhibition
- 2006 New Mexico Masterworks 8th Annual Exhibition
- 2005 Daler-Rowney Award - Pastel Society of New Mexico 14th National Exhibition

- 2005 Honorable Mention - New Mexico Expo Fine Arts Exhibition
- 2005 Pastel Society of America 33rd Annual International Exhibition for "Pastels Only"
- 2005 Finalist - "The Artist's Magazine" 22nd Annual Art Competition. (13,000 entries)
- 2005 Pastel Painters Society of Cape Cod Award - Northwest Pastel Society 19th International Exhibition
- 2005 Suzanne Blaney Award - Pastel Society of the West Coast 19th "Pastel USA" International Exhibition
- 2005 Honorable Mention - International Association of Pastel Societies 8th Juried Exhibition
- 2005 3rd Place Pastels - New Mexico Masterworks 7th Annual Exhibition

Publications:

- The Pastel Journal Mar-Apr, 2010: "Pastel 100" competition - Grand Prize award feature and Cover
- The Artist's Magazine Dec 2009: Annual Competition - 1st place and Finalist in Still Life
- The Pastel Journal Mar-Apr, 2009: "Pastel 100" competition - 2nd place, Honorable Mention in Still Life
- The Pastel Journal Mar-Apr, 2008: "Pastel 100" competition - 4th place, Honorable Mention in Still Life
- The Pastel Journal Mar-Apr, 2007: "Pastel 100" competition - 5th place, Honorable Mention in Still Life
- The Pastel Journal Jul-Aug, 2006: Feature Article
- The Artist's Magazine 2005 limited edition wall calendar - month of February

- The Pastel Journal Mar-Apr, 2004: "Pastel 100" competition - Honorable Mention
- Memberships:
- Distinguished Pastelist - Pastel Society of the West Coast, Pastel Society of New Mexico
 - Signature Member - Pastel Society of America, Pastel Society of the West Coast, Pastel Society of New Mexico



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