

Karen Josephson

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Education

Colorado Institute of Art

Two year graphic design program with emphasis on illustration and page design.

Solano Community College art program:

Lisa Reinertson: Figure Sculpting; Carol Levy: figure painting; Abigail Rubenstein: Flgure Painting, Oil Painting, Watercolor Painting; Linda Grebmier: Figure Painting, Clothed Figure Painting; Marc Pandore: Figure Drawing

Workshops

2012: Ned Bettinger - portrait workshop

2012: Bob Burridge - composition workshop

2013 : Suchitra Bosle - portrait workshop

2014: Randy Sexton - figure painting workshop

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2016: Terry Miura - figure painting workshop

2020: Richard Claremont - composition

Employment

I create fine art and freelance/consignment art and design after leaving the corporate world 10 years ago. Previous positions in art direction, illustration and design for the following: Wade Advertising (Designer & Illustrator); Sacramento Savings (Art Director); PBS station KVIE Sacramento (Senior Graphic Artist); DuraVent Manufacturing (Art Director/Marketing Manager); and of course my own Josephson Art and Design

Exhibitions

2014 Group Exhibition, Faces and Figures of Davis, Art-Is-Davis Art Coop, Davis CA

2015 Juried Exhibition, From the Heart, Jepperson Gallery, Crockett, CA, Juror: Randy Sexton

2015 Group Exhibition, California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Art, Davis, CA

2016 **Juried Exhibition**, *Waterworks*, Watertower Gallery, Mendocino, CA, Juror: Suzi Marquess Long

2017 **Juried Exhibition**, *KVIE Art Auction*, KVIE Studio Gallery, Sacramento, CA , Juror: Miles Hermann. **Jurors Award for Still Life**

2018 **Juried Exhibition**, 40th Juried Art Show, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA, Jurors: Suzanne Bell, Rebecca Bresnick, Paula Rodgers

2018 **Group Exhibition**, *Melody*, *Rhythm & Art*, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA, *People's Choice Award*

2018 Group Exhibition, Celebrate, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA

2019 Group Exhibition, Passageways, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA

2019 Juried Exhibition, 41st Juried Art Show, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA, Jurors: David Peterson, Elena Peters, Abigail Rubenstein, 1st Place Award for oil/acrylic 2nd Place Award for watercolor.

People's Choice Award

2019 Solo Exhibition, Transitions, Vacaville Art Gallery, Vacaville, CA

2020 **Juried Exhibition**, *Open Exhibition*, de Young Museum, San Francisco, CA Jurors: Enrique Chagoya, Hung Liu, Mildred Howard

California Arts Council

2019 Appointed as Grant Review Panelist for the Youth Art in Action grants

Bio

Karen Josephson is a contemporary oil painter who lives and works in Vacaville California. Raised in Loveland Colorado, while in high school she took private oil painting lessons and was invited to exhibit in several Rocky Mountain area galleries. She graduated from Colorado Institute of Art in Communications Design choosing a career in graphic design. She has worked as an illustrator and designer for design studios; as an art director for an ad agency; was the senior designer for PBS in Sacramento and headed the marketing department for an international manufacturer. She left her award-winning career in the corporate world to travel and to focus her creative energy on painting and drawing.