
JOHN YOST FINE ART

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My name is **John Yost** and I currently work out of a studio in my home in Waukesha, WI.

My past life included the management of an Architectural/Engineering firm from 1990 to 1999. In 1999 I started my own



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Architectural firm and operated it until 2018 when I officially closed the firm and retired. It was on a snow bird trip to Key Largo Florida around 2016 that I started painting. It was at this time I realized I enjoyed painting and decided to pursue additional knowledge and experience in painting as an artist. I believe that all artists have something inside them that leads them to create pieces of art that an individual and the public in general will enjoy.

I do not have a degree in art, my education has come, from self-study through online courses and books along with painting and repainting until I reach a painting that I am comfortable with. I usually think 2-3 paintings out of ten are good and I am happy with their look. I primarily work with acrylic paint on canvas or hard board.

My artistic philosophy is, I am a realistic painter but not to the extent that my painting are photographic copies of the subject. My realism is that the subject of the painting looks like the real subject rather than being stylized or abstracted. I use a painterly style. I do not try to hide what I used to create the painting. I use textures, brush marks and pallet knife along with colors to enhance the appearance and appeal of my paintings. You will see in my paintings the color pallet I use in most cases is a bright and forceful mix. It is my goal for the viewer to see my paintings and have them create a stamp on their minds eye that will be remembered.

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