

“Why do I paint?” That thought occurs to me every once in a while. My answer is not particularly enlightening. I paint because I have to. It is what I do. It seems it has always been that way. Growing up in rural western Pennsylvania left an impression on my sense of how I look at the world. It seems as far back as I can remember I have had an excitement and a need to respond when confronted with a sublime landscape. For me, the act of painting is one of discovery and possibility and I hope others feel that way when they view my work.

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