# SUZANN BECK | FINE ART

# PORTRAITURE, FIGURATIVE, STILL LIFE, WORKSHOPS

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Suzann is a Minneapolis-based fine artist working in classical realism with the mediums of oil, pastels, and charcoal. She specializes in portraiture, with her subject matter ranging from commissioned portraits, to figurative art, still life, and landscape.

Whether painting a commissioned portrait, a figurative piece, or a "portrait" of a single rose, Suzann has the unique ability to capture the essence and spirit of a subject and combine it with masterful likeness. Her inspiration and passion comes from the classical old masters, and she is particularly influenced by Russian painters of the 19th century. Intrigued and motivated by the depth and craft of masterworks hundreds of years old, Suzann works to understand classical methods and leverage them with contemporary practices and sensibilities.

Suzann serves as the Minnesota Ambassador for the Portrait Society of America, a mentor for the Cecilia Beaux Forum with the Portrait Society of America, and teaches painting and drawing classes in her Northeast Minneapolis studio, the Paramount Center for the Visual Arts, St. Cloud, MN, White Bear Center for the Arts in White Bear Lake, MN, and Wet Paint Artists' Materials and Framing, St. Paul, MN.

Suzann holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree form Moorhead State University, Moorhead, MN, and has continued her studies with several local and nationally-known artists. Suzann was recently awarded a 2-week Artist Residency by the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation in Medora, North Dakota, and her work frequently appears in regional juried art shows.

# EXHIBITIONS, AWARDS, AND PUBLICATIONS

#### **RECENT AWARDS**

- 2018 Artist Residency 2-week Artist Residency awarded by the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation, Medora, ND
- 2018 Award of Excellence, 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Northern Lights Juried Art Exhibition, White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
- 2017 Best of Show, Collective Visions Juried Art Show at Great River Arts, Little Falls, MN
- 2017 Award of Excellence, 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Northern Lights Juried Art Exhibition, White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN

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- 2018 Invitational "Under the Influence" show with the Artwork of Marko Fields, River Campus Art Gallery, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO
- 2018 Juried 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Northern Lights Juried Art Exhibition, selected out of 577 pieces entered. White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
- 2017 Juried Artistry's 41st Annual Members' Juried Art Exhibition, one of 80 pieces selected out of 299, Artistry, Bloomington, MN
- 2017 Juried Collective Visions Juried Art Show at Great River Arts, Little Falls, MN
- 2017 Juried 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Northern Lights Juried Art Exhibition, White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
- 2017 Juried Wintertide, Presented by NEMAA, Minneapolis, MN
- 2015 Solo Suzann Beck | Portraiture and Small Works, Metro Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
- 2014 Group Art Heals: Selected Works by 5 Artists, Bethesda Hospital Gallery Café, St. Paul, MN
- 2014 Solo Suzann Beck | Works on Paper, on2gallery, California Building, Minneapolis, MN
- 2014 Juried Extremely Minnesota: Robbin Gallery, Robbinsdale, MN
- 2013 Juried Arts in Harmony, Elk River, MN
- 2013 Group I Am an Artist, Paramount Visual Arts Center, St. Cloud, MN
- 2012 Juried Open Door, Rosalux Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
- 2012 Group I Am an Artist, Paramount Visual Arts Center, St. Cloud, MN
- 2012 Juried Merit Award, Extremely Minnesota: Robbin Gallery, Robbinsdale, MN

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

2014 Publication — Prominently featured in a chapter on artistic license in "Color Correction Handbook, Professional Techniques for Video and Cinema" Second Edition, Alexis Van Hurkman

## MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

2018 to Present — Mentor for the Cecilia Beaux Forum, Portrait Society of America

- 2016 to Present Minnesota Ambassador for the Portrait Society of America
- 2012 to Present Portrait Society of America
- 2012 to Present Robbin Gallery
- 2011 to Present NEMAA, Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association

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