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Mile High International Pastel Exhibition and Sale
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Aaron Schuerr, Juror & Judge of Awards

A heartfelt congratulations to all the artists juried into the PSC Mile High International Pastel Exhibition! I'm inspired by the broad diversity of work I considered. I am grateful to be a small part of showcasing the talent of the pastel community. We are fellow travelers in this medium, each with a unique story to tell. Thank you for sharing yours. I cannot wait to see the paintings in person. Until then, keep your fingers dusty and your hearts open!

Aaron Schuerr
Sincerely,
www.aaronschuerr.com

The Pastel Society of Colorado is EXTREMELY appreciative, lucky and thankful to have Aaron Schuerr as our Juror/Judge this year. Jurying a show such as this, with superb entries which were so varied, yet well executed, is challenging as well as inspiring. Aaron narrowed down the competitive field to the selected 84 paintings, and he also then had to in person judge all 84 for the 10 awards. We know you will absolutely enjoy seeing the full exhibit as well as the award-winning paintings.

Aaron's own work is borne out of his struggle to absorb, comprehend, and understand the natural world. He is an Artist, writer, actor, husband and father of three wonderful boys. He states, "The open air is my stage, and in the best moments, I am lost in it. I have no desire to impress you with these paintings, rather I strive to share my experience with honesty and without fear". To learn more about Aaron and view his art, please visit <https://www.aaronschuerr.com>





Ivadell Marie



Katannya Walkker

Letter of Appreciation from the Co-Presidents of the Pastel Society of Colorado, Ivadell Marie and Katannya Walkker

Our appreciation first goes out to the artists who entered this show – thank you so much! We have viewed all 328 entries, and this was a superb and very competitive grouping of work. Of the 84 paintings accepted, 60 artists are represented, and 20 of them are from out of state (no international entries this year...aww).

Here in Colorado, we have one of the most attractive art centers in the metro area - The Curtis Center for the Arts in Greenwood Village. It is home to many unique and exciting art exhibits, lectures and cultural events including youth and adult art programs. Curtis serves as the focal point in Greenwood Village's commitment to the arts. Our appreciation goes out specifically to the staff: Chris Stevens, Cultural Arts Manager, Lauren Brant, Assistant Cultural Arts Manager and Joyce Jasurda, Administrative Assistant. A wonderful, professional group to work with every other year! Thank you!

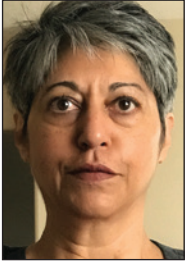
And we are also extremely appreciative of our Sponsors this year who have made possible the awards given to those chosen by Mr. Schuerr for special recognition. The awards are an excellent combination of merchandise and gift certificates. Much of what we do is made possible by these sponsors, shown in the back of this catalog. Please thank them by purchasing materials and services from their websites and in their stores. Not the least among those sponsors who make this exhibition possible are the members of PSC (one member wonderfully made a large donation this year) and those who entered the exhibition. Entry fees contribute much of what gets awarded as does contributions from membership fees. Thank you all!

And finally, giant kudos go out to our Show Co-Chairs this year – Anne Cooper-Salazar & Rita Bhasin! They have been tirelessly involved in this exhibition since last summer. Our appreciation is beyond words!

PSC was founded in 1994 to promote and educate the public about the very special medium of pastels. PSC's website, www.pastelsocietyofcolorado.org, features much of what we do and the many talented artists who make PSC home. Please take the time to visit us and also at www.pscshows.com and our facebook page, www.facebook.com/groups/392190844155098/

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE ARTISTS IN THE SHOW AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE ARTISTS WHO SUBMITTED ENTRIES.

THANK YOU ART LOVERS, ARTISTS AND COLLECTORS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Rita Bhasin



Anne Cooper Salazar

Message from the Co-Chairs of the 19th Mile High International Pastel Exhibition

We hope you will enjoy your visit luxuriating in the sometimes bold yet sometimes subtle pastel paintings. The Mile High International Exhibition has been a staple event for the Pastel Society of Colorado, with this our 19th show! Talented artists from throughout the US submitted their artwork, and our judge/juror Aaron Schuerr selected 84 paintings. This year's exhibition has a wonderful selection of impressive luminescent paintings in a variety of styles and subjects; there are landscapes, urban scenes, portraits, and still life rendered in realistic and abstract form.

This is an example of the breadth of the possibilities of pastel painting, which is an art form that has been around for centuries. It was made popular by some of the best impressionist artists such as Degas, Renoir, and Cassatt. Pastels come in a wide range of colors, and artists use them to create vibrant, textured artworks. It's a very tactile, hands-on medium. Paintings are created by using pastel sticks, which are formed from dry, pure pigment powders bound with a liquid binding solution. Working with pastels is not complicated, and it is fun to learn the techniques of strokes, smudging, blending, etc. across various types of surfaces, building layers which leave hints of the underlying colors.

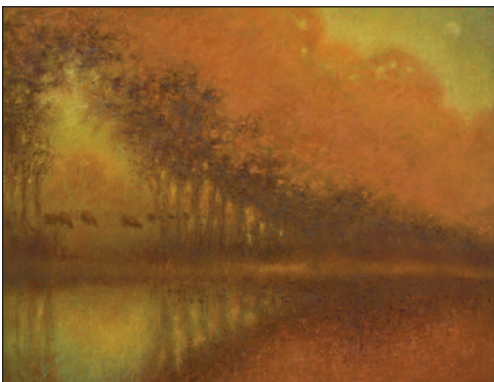
We want to thank the Pastel Society of Colorado for its dedication to promoting the use of pastels as a medium for fine art and encouraging the growth and development of artists who use pastels. The PSC functions thanks to the many volunteers which make up the organization. We would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped this exhibition come together. First and foremost we thank Ivadell Marie, PSC Co-President for her guidance. We thank Jeannette Stutzman for her tireless work as our Webmaster and many other tasks. There are many others we owe thanks to: Nicole Huggins as Volunteer Coordinator, Workshop Chair Jane Christie, Treasurers Susan Hommel and Doug Graybeal, Awards Chair Josh Runyon and committee members Diane Ceynar and Ivadell Marie for acquiring the Sponsors for the exhibition and organizing the Award distribution and packages. Thank you to our Sponsors. Also, last but not least, thank you Aaron Schuerr for his work as a judge and juror and the 3 day Workshop "Direct, Simple, Fresh & Honest".

We thank all the artists for submitting artwork for the show and congratulate those whose work was selected for the exhibit.

Rita Bhasin & Anne Cooper Salazar



Gretchen Acharya
Meandering Forest Road
16x20 \$900



Roger Ambrosier
Morning Oak Grove
14x18 \$3000



Patti Arbino
Voices
6x18 \$800



Patti Arbino
Wood to Rock III
14x9 \$900



Cliff Austin
Light The Bear
16x12 \$850



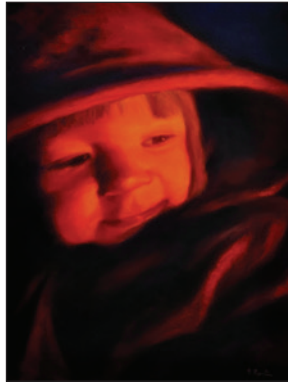
Cliff Austin
Temperature Change
12x16 \$850



Jacqueline Aves

Daughter Sister Mother Grandmother Blessed

16x12 \$1500



Barbara Benstein

Campfire Glow

16x12 \$1500



Kate Bergquist

A Quiet Place

8x8 \$1500



Sarah Blumenschein

Teacups, Spoons, and Saucers

12x16 \$800



Cheryl Browder

Evening Quiet

9x12 \$500



Cheryl Browder

Valley Clouds

8x10 \$400

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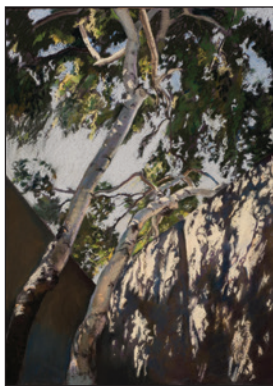
Angela Bruskotter
The Sentinel
12x12 \$400



Dawn Buckingham
At the End of the Rainbow
9x12 \$825



Dawn Buckingham
Winter Wandering
9x12 \$825



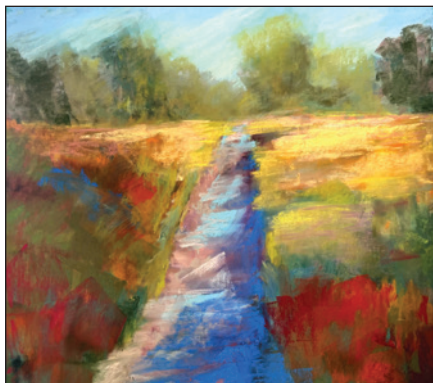
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Homage to Noguchi II
27x19 \$1800



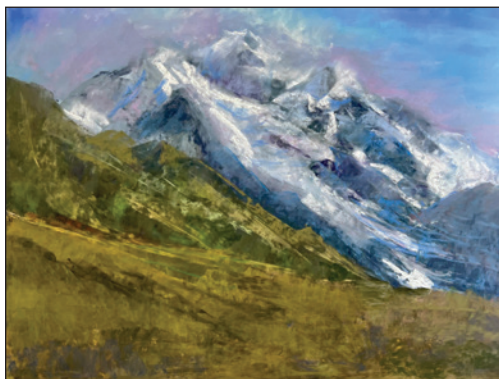
Mary Cassidy
Color of Nature
14x11 \$550



Mitch Caster
Folkloric
25x17 \$1200



Diane Ceynar
Along the Way
10x10 \$425



Diane Ceynar
Swiss Alps
16x20 \$710



Jane Christie
Autumn In The High Country
35x27 \$2400



Jane Christie
Warm Welcome On A Winters Eve
8x9 \$750



Marcie Cohen
Uncertainty
12x16 \$1500



Betsy Cook
Night Hunter
20x16 \$1400

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Katy Despot
And What, You Wonder, Has So Captured
Her Attention? 9x12 \$400



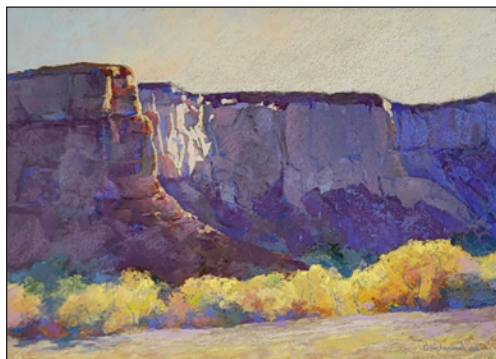
Betty Efferson
Ending the Journey
28x20 \$2200



Betty Efferson
Golden Hour
24x18 \$2000



Diane Fechenbach
Mountain Handoff
12x9 \$500



Diane Fechenbach
The Late Shift
11x17 \$950



Doug Graybeal
Capitol Sunrise
17x27 \$1200



Yidan Guo
Immigrant Women Series-Dee
30x21 \$2000



Yidan Guo
Immigrant Women Series-Self Portrait
29x21 \$2300



Neva Hall
Sentinal over Crater Lake
10x8 \$225



Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya
Freedom Roses
20x16 \$1200



Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya
Sunflowers on a Turquoise Tablecloth
18x18 \$1200



Teri Hoyer
A walk along the canal
16x16 \$800

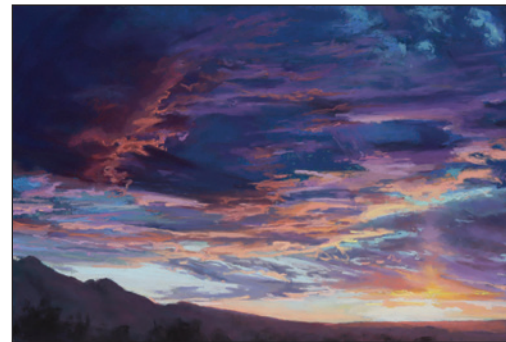
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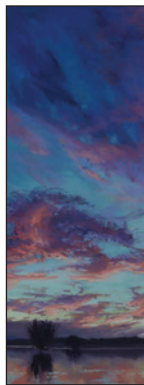
Pamela Iannazzo
Glory
18x14 \$1400



Pamela Iannazzo
Justifying Reds
36x24 \$2400



Katherine Irish
Nature's Calligraphy
12x18 \$1,200



Katherine Irish
Song of Cyan II
32x12 \$1,800



Becky Johnson
Glow
8x13 \$1250



Becky Johnson
Wyoming Road
8x10 \$875



Janet Larsen
Path to the Trees
11x14 \$535



Julia Lesnichy
Morning Roses
24x18 \$1200



Julia Lesnichy
Portrait of a Horse
16x12 \$850



Sandy Marvin
Woodland Retreat
11x17 \$750



Dennis McCarthy
Magnificent Oak
11x14 \$750



Dennis McCarthy
Winter's Morn
12x12 \$450

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Lee McVey
Chamisa and Red Hills
9x12 \$975



Billy Moro-Way
Unavoidable Moment
12x9 \$2300



Norbert Nagel
Water Hole
14x11 \$980



Juanita Nelson
Into The Weeminuch
20x16 \$1800



Christina Oddo
A Seasonal Rhythm
12x24 \$1100



Shannon O'Dunn
The Rock Slide
11x14 \$750



Carolyn Parker
Zion's Gate
18x12 \$1500



Jeffrey Peterson
McHenry County
20x16 \$750



Lydia Pottoff
Manaslu
6x12 \$500



Linda Prokop
By Hand
18x12 \$1200



Linda Prokop
Second Bloom
18x24 \$1800



Mike Ray
Monument Color
12x12 \$500

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Dennis Rhoades
A Touch of Red
20x16 \$3400



Stacey Roberts
Hidden Place
32x25 \$1500



Stacey Roberts
Just Before The Morning
25x32 \$1500



Sarah Rose
Longtime Companions
10x18 \$775



Sarah Rose
Shadowlands
9x16 \$700



William Schneider
Eva's Mom
20x16 \$3250



William Schneider
Myrrh Sea
20x16 \$3250



Xenia Sease
November Snow
8x10 \$500



Jeff Slemmons
Dinner With A Friend
16x20 \$1800



Jeff Slemmons
Peek-A-Boo
12x12 \$1200

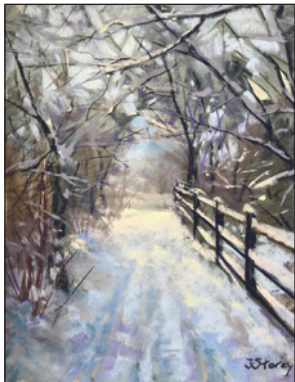


Sarah St George
Better Days
12x20 \$1250



Sarah St George
Entwined
12x16 \$875

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Jill Storey
Winter's Walk
12x9 \$650



Jeannette Stutzman
Endurance
9x12 \$600



Jeannette Stutzman
Freedom
12x12 \$750



Fang Sullivan
Self-reflection
12x9 \$900



Leslie Trujillo-Batts
Black Tie Affair
21x17 \$1100



Jill Stefani Wagner
Cave Point
12x12 \$925



Jill Stefani Wagner
Little Grand Traverse
12x16 \$1050



Anne Weber
Explosive Sunset in Poipu
9x12 \$700



Anne Weber
Quiet Cove near Santa Cruz
16x8 \$800



Nancy Wylie
Summer Dreaming
18x24 \$1750



Sue Young
At the Show
18x24 \$850



Kim Zielinski
Happiness Rising
11x14 \$560

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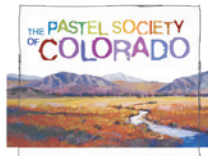
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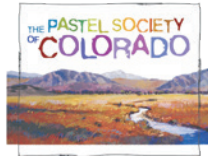
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