



*Ezra's Overlook at Wawona in Yosemite*  
acrylic, 2009, 22 x 9 in.

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I am an American landscape artist who specializes in acrylic paintings of the wild and scenic from Florida to California.



### **Education**

1977 MFA (Painting) Kent State University - Kent, Ohio  
1972 BA (Studio Arts) Youngstown State University -  
Youngstown, Ohio

### **Galleries**

2010-2021 Allyn Gallup Galleries, Sarasota, Florida  
1993-2010 represented by Clayton Galleries, Tampa, Florida  
1985-1986 director, Trumbull Art Guild, Warren, Ohio  
1979-1983 gallery owner/director, Steel Street Experimental  
Gallery, Youngstown, Ohio

### **Residencies, Workshops and Events**

2019 Grand Canyon Celebration of Art, invited artist  
2016 Sleeping Bear Dunes Natl. Lakeshore, Artist-in-Residence  
2016 Grand Canyon Celebration of Art, invited artist  
2015 Grand Canyon Celebration of Art, invited artist  
2014 Great Basin National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2014 North Cascades National Park, Artist-in-Residence

2012 Everglades National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2012 Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Artist-in-Residence  
2011 Petrified Forest National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2011 Celebration of Art, *plein air* painting on the South Rim,  
Grand Canyon Association, Grand Canyon National Park, AZ  
2009 Grand Canyon National Park, South Rim,  
Artist-in-Residence  
2009 Yosemite National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2008 Acadia National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2007 Grand Canyon National Park, North Rim,  
Artist-in-Residence  
2005 Everglades National Park, Artist-in-Residence  
2000 ArtStudy Giverny, Giverny, France  
1982 *Dialogue* Art Criticism Workshop; scholarship, sponsored  
by the Ohio Foundation on the Arts, Inc., and the Ohio  
Arts Council

### **Solo Exhibitions**

2025 *Favorite Places*, Arts Advocates Exhibition,  
Sarasota, Florida  
2011 *Colorado River Paintings*, Fire on the Mountain Gallery,  
Flagstaff, Arizona  
2006 *Sawgrass to Cypress: Painting the Everglades*, Ernest F.  
Coe Visitor Center, Everglades National Park  
2005 *Extraordinary Landscapes*, The Celery Barn Gallery,  
Sarasota, Florida  
2003 *Landscape as Muse: A Retrospective, 1981-2003*, Clayton  
Galleries, Tampa, Florida  
2003 Capitol Complex, Tallahassee, Florida  
2000 *Landscapes*, Lee County Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers,  
Florida  
1997 St. Petersburg Center for the Arts, St. Petersburg,  
Florida  
1994 *Landscapes*, Emphasis Gallery, Sarasota, Florida  
1992 *Florida Landscapes*, ARTarget, Sarasota, Florida  
1988 *Landscapes*, Trumbull Art Guild, Warren, Ohio  
1984 *Landscape Through the Looking Glass*, Kilcawley Center Art  
Gallery, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio  
1984 *Landscapes*, Jewish Community Center, Youngstown, Ohio  
1980 *Sensual Landscapes*, Steel Street Experimental Gallery,  
Youngstown, Ohio.

- 1977 *Spatial Tensions Based on Cross Elements*, MFA Thesis Show, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio  
1974 The Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts, New Castle, PA

### **Group Exhibitions**

- 2025 *Now You See Us: Sarasota's Petticoat Painters 1953-2025*, Sarasota City Hall, March 2025-March 2026, Sarasota, Florida  
2024 Community Art Show, Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast, June-Sept., Osprey, FL  
2024 *Zest: New Work by the Petticoat Painters*, June, Morean Arts Center, St. Petersburg, FL  
2024 Petticoat Painters, May, SPAACES, Sarasota, FL  
2024 *This is not Nostalgia*, March, Trumbull Art Gallery, Warren, OH  
2022 Petticoat Painters Annual, May-June, Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL  
2022 *Enduring Paths*, Petticoat Painters, Jan-March, Dunedin Art Center, Dunedin, FL  
2021 A.I.R.I.E. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit, Sept-Dec, Everglades National Park  
2020 Petticoat Painters Annual, March-Sept, Art Ovation Hotel, Sarasota, FL  
2019 *Florida*, Allyn Gallup Contemporary Gallery, Sarasota  
2019 65<sup>th</sup> Petticoat Painters Annual, Art Center Manatee, Bradenton, FL  
2018 Florida Selected, Allyn Gallup Contemporary Art, Sarasota  
2018 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Petticoat Painters, Daytona Beach Art Center  
2017 Gallery Artists, Allyn Gallup Gallery, Sarasota, FL  
2017 63<sup>rd</sup> Petticoat Painters Annual, Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL  
2017 *The AIR exhibit: 30 Artists in Iconic National Parks*, Cultural Center of Cape Cod, May-June, S. Yarmouth, MA  
2017 Kolb Studio, Grand Canyon, AZ  
2017 Petticoat Painters, Big Arts Gallery, Sanibel, FL  
2017 Petticoat Painters, Arts and Cultural Alliance, Sarasota  
2016 Annual Petticoat Painters Show, Art Center Sarasota  
2016 *Ah, Wilderness*, Allyn Gallup Contemporary Art, Sarasota, FL  
2016-2014 *A.I.R.I.E. Suitcase Show*, Galleri Schaeffers, Oslo, Norway (Aug-Sept 2014); The Tahawus Center in the Adirondacks (Aug 2015); The Puffin Foundation, Teaneck, NJ (Dec-Jan 2015-16); Coe Visitor Center, Everglades National Park (March 2016)  
2015 Selected works from the Petrified Forest National Park Collection, Talon Gallery, Show Low, AZ

2015 Annual Petticoat Painters Show, Art and Frame,  
Sarasota, FL

2014 *Made in Sarasota*, Allyn Gallup Contemporary Art,  
Sarasota, FL

2014 Petticoat Painters' 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show, Selby Gallery  
Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

2014 Yosemite Renaissance XXIX, Yosemite National Park

2013 Yosemite Renaissance XXVIII, Yosemite National Park

2013 40<sup>th</sup> Art Festival, Temple Beth-El, St. Petersburg, FL

2012 Petticoat Painters' 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show, Sarasota, FL

2012 *Botanica*, Arroyo Galleries, Santa Fe, New Mexico

2012 *The Colorado, River of Possibilities*, Carl Hayden Visitor  
Center, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Page, AZ

2011 *11·11·11: Contemporary Southwest Realism*, Arroyo Gallery,  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

2011 *Petticoat Painters' 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show*, Longboat Key  
Art Center, Sarasota, Florida

2011 *3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF ART*, Kolb Studio, Grand Canyon  
Association, Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona

2011 Yosemite Renaissance XXVI, Yosemite National Park,  
February through May

2010 *In Sights*, 58<sup>th</sup> Petticoat Painters Annual, Art Center  
Manatee, Bradenton, Florida

2010 *Florida by Floridians*, Allyn Gallup Gallery, Sarasota, FL

2010 *Native and Wild*, Art Center Manatee, Bradenton, Florida

2010 *Wild Myakka*, Myakka River State Park and Art Center  
Sarasota, Sarasota, Florida

2010 *39th Annual Creators and Collectors Tour*, Sarasota Fine  
Arts Society, Sarasota, Florida

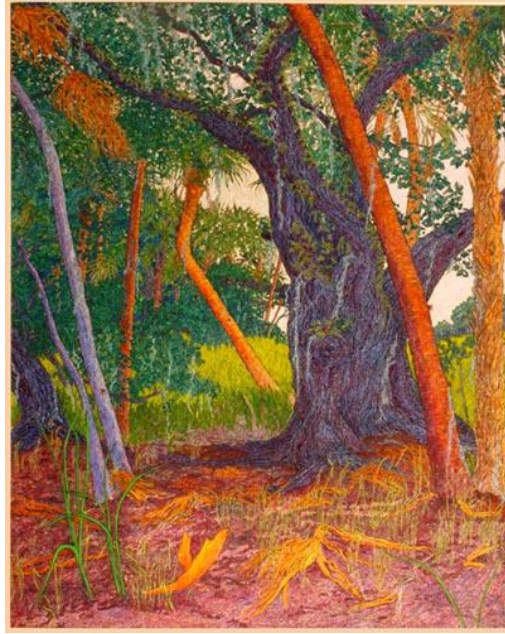
1995-2009 Summer Galleries Exhibits, Clayton Galleries, Tampa,  
Florida

2009 Area Artists Group Exhibit, Healthplex, Sarasota, Florida

2007-2008 *Artists-in-Residence of Grand Canyon, North Rim*;  
Kolb Studio, Grand Canyon National Park

2006-2007 *Yosemite Renaissance XXI*, NPS Yosemite Museum  
Gallery, Yosemite National Park (exhibit traveled 5/2006-  
3/2007)

2006 *Large is Lovely*, Art Center Sarasota, Sarasota, Florida



*Resurrection Fern*, Myakka River State Park,  
acrylic, 2006, 41× 31 in.

- 2004-2005 *The Road Less Taken*, Petticoat Painters Group Exhibit, Center for Arts and Humanity, Sarasota, Florida
- 2003 *Group Invitational 2003: New Work*, The von Liebig Art Center, Naples, Florida
- 2002 *National Exhibit 2002*, Charlotte County Art Guild, Inc., Punta Gorda, Florida
- 2001 *2 + 1: An Invitational*, Art League of Manatee County, Bradenton, Florida
- 2001 *Women Contemporary Artists*, The Selby Gallery at Ringling School of Art, Sarasota, Florida (juror: Michael Milkovich)
- 2001 The Selby County Library 3rd Invitational Exhibit, Sarasota, Florida
- 2001-2004 Art Beth-El Festival Invitational, Temple Beth-El, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2000-2009 *Petticoat Painters Annuals*, Various locations: The Celery Barn, Sarasota, Florida; The Selby Gallery at Ringling School of Art and Design, Sarasota, Florida; The Capitol Complex, Tallahassee, Florida; Art Center of Manatee, Bradenton, Florida. The Petticoat Painters is one of the longest continually exhibiting women artists' groups in the USA; limited to 20 members, it was founded in 1953 for the promotion of the work of professional women artists in Sarasota, Florida.

2000 Invitational Exhibit of Petticoat Painters, The Manatee Art League, Bradenton, Florida

2000 *Exhibit 2000*, National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society, Fulton, Missouri,

2000 *Paintings of Florida*, The Clayton Galleries, Tampa, Florida

1999, 2000 *Artistic Waters: A Florida Collectors Art Show* (invitational), The Florida Aquarium, Tampa, Florida

1998-2009 *Small Works*, The Clayton Galleries (annual), Tampa, Florida

1998 *47th Annual All Florida Juried Exhibition*, juried by Theodore F. Wolff, former critic for *The Christian Science Monitor*; Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton, Florida

1997 *Hilton Head Art League 1997 Juried Show*, The Self Family Arts Center, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

1996-1998 *Hot Nights/Cool Art*, ARTarget, Sarasota County Arts Council, Sarasota, Florida

1995 *Florida Landscapes*, Donn Roll Galleries, Sarasota, Florida

1993 *Small Works Theme Show*, Barrier Island Group for the Arts, Sanibel, Florida

1993-2010 Summer Series I, II & III, The Clayton Galleries, Tampa, Florida

1973, 1976, 1980, 1989 National Midyear Show, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio

1986 *The Doll Show* (invitational), Kilcawley Center Art Gallery, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio

1973-1985, 1988 The Area Artists Show, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio

1980 installation sculpture, sponsored by the Downtown Development Project in association with the College Art Association Conference, New Orleans, LA

1980 Faculty Show, Davis Gallery, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio

1979 Faculty Show (installation sculpture), Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio

1978 Ohio State Fair, Professional Fine Arts Show (juried by Mary Miss and Richard Anuszkiewicz), Columbus, Ohio

1976 *Ohio Women Artists Past and Present*, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio

1976 *All Ohio Painting and Sculpture Biennial*, The Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, Ohio

1975 *All Ohio Fine Arts Show*, Massillon Museum, Massillon, Ohio

### **Publications**

- 2023 *Myakka Chronicles*, An exhibition in print of over 100 paintings of Myakka River State Park created over a period of more than 30 years. Suncoast Digital Press.
- 2021 *National Park Artist*, Full-color, full-page images of over 100 paintings created from residencies at iconic National Parks along with journal writings describing residency experiences. Suncoast Digital Press
- 2004 "The Florida Contemporary Crowd," *Florida International Magazine*. October, p. 57
- 2004 *New American Paintings: Juried Exhibition in Print*. Juried by Carrie Przybilla, curator, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA. June/July, Number 52, pp. 118-121
- 2001 "Layered Colors/ Water Based Media," *Watercolor Magazine*. Winter
- 1999 "Before The Fall." *Sarasota Arts and Entertainment*. Volume 10. August cover
- 1999 *New American Paintings: Juried Exhibition in Print*. Juried by Clare Bell, associate curator, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, NYC. June/July, Number 22, pp. 92-95
- 1999 Libby, Gary R. *Coast to Coast: The Contemporary Landscape in Florida*. Daytona Beach, FL: The Museum of Arts and Sciences; pp. 74-75
- 1993 Cover design, *Sarasota Arts Review*, April



*Imminent Depth*, Grand Canyon, North Rim,  
acrylic, 2008, 41 × 31 in.

### **Recognitions and Awards**

- 2015 First place, Women Contemporary Artists Annual, juried,  
Selby Gallery, Ringling College of Art and Design,  
Sarasota, FL
- 2014 Best of Show, Artists Guild of Anna Maria Island, *An Open  
All-Media Juried Art Show*, The Studio at Gulf and Pine,  
Anna Maria, Florida
- 2008–2010 State Department Art-in-Embassies Program,  
“Resurrection Fern,” American Embassy in Sofia, Bulgaria  
(Ambassador Nancy McEldowney)
- 2004 painting award, Art Festival Beth-El, St. Petersburg,  
Florida
- 2002–2004 State Department Art-in-Embassies Program, “Clay  
Gully Creek,” American Embassy in Rome, Italy (Ambassador  
Mel Sembler)
- 2002 painting purchase award, Art Festival Beth-El, Temple  
Beth-El, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2001 painting award, Women Contemporary Artists, Unity  
Gallery, Sarasota, Florida
- 2001 inducted into the Florida Artists Group, Area III
- 2001 painting award, Art Encounter 2000 All Florida, Naples  
Von Liebig Center (juror: Mark Ormond)

2000 painting award, *12 x 12 Members Show*, The Art Center, St. Petersburg, Florida

1999 painting award, Women Contemporary Artists Exhibit, Longboat Key Art Center

1998-2000 *Coast to Coast: The Contemporary Florida Landscape*. Selections from the Geiger-Percy Collection, a traveling exhibit touring nine Florida museums

1988 invited juror, The Northeastern Ohio Regional Scholastic Art Awards

1983-1987 painting awards YWCA Juried Women Artists Shows, Youngstown, Ohio

1981 drawing award, 24th Trumbull Art Guild Annual, Warren, Ohio

1979 sculpture award (installation), *The Lunch Party: Isolation*, Ohio State Fair, Professional Fine Arts Show (jurors: Duane Hansen, Philip Pearlstein, and Rose Silfka)

### **Public Collections**

Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor, Maine

Yosemite National Park, Yosemite Renaissance, California

Grand Canyon Association, Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona

Everglades National Park, Homestead, Florida

Great Basin National Park, Nevada

North Cascades National Park, Stehekin, Washington

Petrified Forest/Painted Desert National Park, Arizona

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, Empire, Michigan

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Arizona

Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, Florida

William Hough and Company, St. Petersburg, Florida

Hillsborough County Commissioners, Public Art Collection, Tampa, Florida

The Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts, New Castle, Pennsylvania

Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio

Geiger-Percy Collection, Tallahassee, Florida



*Pa Hay Okee Orange, Everglades National Park, acrylic, 2005, 19 x 49 in.*