

Carol Fortunato

After graduating from the School of Visual Arts in New York with a degree in illustration, Carol Fortunato continued her studies at the Art Students League with teachers David Leffel and Greg Kreutz, under whose tutelage she discovered an interest in chiaroscuro painting.

Today, inspired by the simple beauty of the smaller works of Chardin, she strives to create lush still life's that capture the quiet beauty and rhythms that she sees in the shapes of nature, using oils on boards of birch and canvas.

Her still life's with a focus on the edible are appreciated in the culinary arts world where she was invited to have solo shows in the renowned James Beard House and French Culinary Institute.

Ms. Fortunato divides her time between painting in her studio in Montclair, New Jersey, and landscape painting in and around New England. Her work can be found in collections nationally as well as the UK. She is represented in Montclair, NJ, by Dupre Gallery, in Martha's Vineyard, MA, by Christina Gallery, in Great Barrington at the Berkshire Art Gallery, MA, and exclusively in Southern Vermont by Beckwith Gallery in Jamaica, VT.

Exhibitions

2009 Southern Vermont Arts Center, Manchester VT

2009 French Culinary Institute, New York, NY

2009 Hudson Valley Art Association 78th Annual Exhibition

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2008 The James Beard House, New York, NY

2008 The Cooley Gallery, Old Lyme, CT

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2006 Eisenhauer Gallery, Edgartown, MA

2005 Dupre Gallery, Montclair, NJ

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2003 Grenning Gallery, Sag Harbor, NY

2003 Gallery on the Green, London, UK

2002 Dupre Gallery, Montclair NJ

2001 Southern Vermont Arts Center, Manchester, VT

Awards

2011 Salmagundi Richeson Award

2011 Society of Old Greenwich 1st Place Oil Award

2008 Salmagundi Club American Artist Professional League Award

2008 Kent Art Association Best In Show Award

2008 Mamaroneck Artist Guild Award of Excellence

2007 Ridgewood Art Institute NJF Award

Education

Ridgewood Art Institute

Studio of Burt Silverman

The Art Students League

School of Visual Arts

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