

Guest Artist for the 21st Annual Panhandle Area Art Jubilee

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Bethany Fields – Pastel Artist



Bethany Fields is an American contemporary artist working in pastel. She has gained recent national recognition with exhibits at the Salmagundi Club, The National Arts Club, both in NYC, and the Butler Institute of American Art in Ohio. She regularly hosts and teaches workshops around the country and is a signature member of the Pastel Society of America and the Degas Pastel Society and is a Master Circle member of IAPS (International Association of Pastel Societies). She is also an active member of American Women Artists and the American Impressionist Society. Bethany has recently been featured in the prestigious *Pastel Journal* magazine in both a featured article and as an honorable mention winner for the 2017 Pastel 100. Her work was also chosen as a finalist in Artist's Magazine Annual Art Competition in 2016 and 2018.

Originally from Texas, Bethany graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre Arts. She went on to perform professionally and continued honing her skills in composition and design working as the on-air talent and designer for a DIY web series in Burbank, CA. She has worked as a professional lifestyle and commercial photographer for the past 15 years which naturally led to landscape photography and painting. She produces and directs her own Youtube channel where her videos have been viewed over 300,000 times and blogs at bethanyfieldsblog.com

Bethany's primary focus is the American West landscape of the Llano Estacado and surrounding areas. A favorite location for inspiration is beautiful Palo Duro Canyon near Canyon, Texas as well as the high plains of the Texas Panhandle. In her travels across the country, she has gathered a plethora of inspiration. From the low-country of South Carolina to the high mounts of Colorado, she looks for beauty and light wherever she goes.

She makes her home in Texas with her husband of 18 years, their three children, one crazy dog, and her studio cat, Boo.

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