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Encaustic/Mixed-Media • May 28 - July 26, 2018

Artist Statement - With an intense interest in nature and travel, I have discovered boundless inspiration and resources for my encaustic art. The possibilities are unlimited when working in this medium of heated beeswax mixed with dammar resin and colored pigment. Decorative paper, sketches, items from nature and photos can be burnished and fused into the wax to create amazing effects. It gives me great pleasure to make people smile when they see my interpretation of a scene in nature.

What is Encaustic? Encaustic has a 2,000-year history and is as versatile as any 20th century medium. The word encaustic comes from Greek and means “to burn in,” which refers to the process of fusing the wax. Heat is used throughout the process and the work can be polished to a high gloss, modeled, sculpted, textured, and combined with collage materials. It cools immediately, so there is no drying time, and it can always be reworked. Encaustic is a beeswax base mixed with dammar resin and pigment. It is kept molten on a heated palette and applied to a hard surface with brushes or any tool the artist wishes to use. It is reheated to fuse the paint into a uniform enamel-like finish. The durability of encaustic is due to the fact that beeswax is impervious to moisture; because of this, it will not deteriorate, yellow, or darken, and it won’t need to be varnished or protected by glass.



The Wilder Spirit
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



Henry Cowell Redwoods
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



Sailing Away
Encaustic Mixed Media
NFS



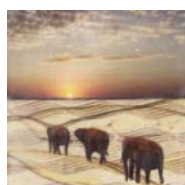
Poipu Honu
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$350



Kilauea in Action
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$300



Twiga and Friends
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



Serengeti Stroll
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$150



Romping in the Serengeti
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$150



Monterey Bay Bat Rays
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



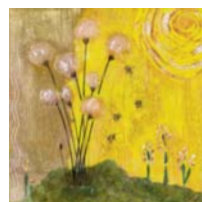
Monterey Bay Coral Reef
Encaustic Mixed Media
NFS



Monterey Bay Jellies
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$250



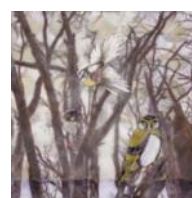
In the Heart of the Forest
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



A Very Bright Day
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$150



Murderous Crows
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$200



New Zealand Natives
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$150



Glenorchy Lagoon, N.Z.
Encaustic Mixed Media
\$250

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