

Bruce Gomez

Bruce A. Gómez was born in Denver, Colorado in 1957 and was educated at Colorado State University and the University of Colorado at Denver, where he received a degree in Political Science as well as a degree in Romance Languages. The Telluride Gallery of Fine Art has represented Bruce since 1985.

He has been working in pastels for thirty-nine years, full-time for the past twenty-nine. Entirely self-taught, Bruce works exclusively in that medium on cold-pressed watercolor paper. In addition, he has taught for the last twenty years at the Ah Haa School in Telluride, CO, where he has been one of the school's highest rated instructors, consistently. He has also had the opportunity to teach workshops in Sedona, AZ, Moab, UT, London, England, and Cortona, Italy. He is currently a regular instructor at the Abend Gallery of Fine Art in Denver.

He has appeared in numerous Pastel Invitational shows as well as Plein Air Invitationals including The Denver Golden Triangle Invitational, and The Sedona Plein Air Festival, in which he won The Collector's Choice Award, The Artists Choice Award, and received one of five Merit Awards in 2011 and the Merit Awards in 2012.

His artistic influences range from Paleolithic art up to Alfred Sisley, Maxfield Parrish, Juan Gris, and Gustav Klimt. He is singularly fortunate enough to travel to and paint in such wonderful places as Telluride, Paris, Rome, and Moab. He goes out and looks to capture that one unique and spectacular moment of life, whether in the mountains, in an urban setting, possibly slogging through a deluge, snowshoeing in -10°F, or painting plein air in 101°F.

"I pride myself in painting something that anyone can see themselves if they hang around: no exaggerations, no symbolism, and no implied metaphor."

Publications + Exhibitions

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Southwest Art Magazine

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