

Format for the Essence and Design/ Plein Air Workshop

During this 5 day plein air workshop we will be working directly from nature in the beautiful Bucks County area.

We will strive to get the essence of the scene while being keenly aware of how we use our lines, shapes, and patterns to create movement and interest within our designs.

By working directly from nature we will keep our paintings fresh and full of color. The essence and design are key points, however we will still address how to simplify the overall scene, control our values and temperatures to give us pictorial depth, as well as utilize our brush strokes to add visual interest and excitement.

We will start off with a full demonstration the first morning, followed by smaller quicker grabs as the week goes on, again always looking to get the gist of the overall scene and time of day.

We will plan on finishing 2 paintings a day, one in the morning session then another in the afternoon session. There will be plenty of individual attention as well as critiques daily to help bring all of these elements together.

Plein air painting is a wonderful experience and we want to get the most out of it with every stroke we do.