

## *2012 Workshop Description*

# ***"Finding the Essence Painting Outdoors"***

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### ***IMPORTANT!***

Please bring your most inspiring photos in case of inclement weather or use one of your color sketches painted during the workshop.

### **Level of Student: Advanced Beginner - Intermediate Level or Higher**

I would like the student to understand basic drawing and basic mixing of paint and a basic understanding of complimentary colors, a love for painterly paintings and a love of the American and French impressionists.

## **Workshop Description**

This will be a five day outdoor "plein air" oil painting workshop concentrating on how to paint outdoors, dealing with all the challenges, in order to make a unique, colorful, spontaneous and "striking" painting. I will show the class how to start out, drawing the composition in a sketch book, then drawing with paint on canvas, concentrating on getting all the shapes correct and proportionate. Then I will teach you how to mix interesting, rich color and how to apply the paint to achieve spontaneous brushwork in order to achieve an overall spontaneous painting. All along the way, i will teach you how to achieve an interesting focal point or center of interest.

Each day's class will start out with a highly informational painting demo and lecture, 9:00 - 11:00 or 12:00. We will have lunch and then students will paint all afternoon. (up to two paintings) There will be tons of one on one instruction, and a short critic and short lecture at the end of the week. Any day that has inclement weather we will paint indoors from your favorite photos or a previous painting study. September has beautiful, perfect weather but can be sometimes unpredictable. We will make the most of Fall's outdoor beauty and then the studio when weather doesn't permit.