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Biography and Artist Statement

Renee C. DiNapoli, award-winning, professional artist/instructor and former faculty member of Ringling School of Art & Design is noted for her contemporary florals and interior beachfront realism. Renee's striking oil paintings have received critical acclaim for their high contrast, unusually intense use of color and exquisite detail. Her ability to achieve both impact and delicacy in her paintings attests to her 36 years of training with Italian master and studying at The Louvre in Paris for many years. She has taught at the Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, FL as well as Tulane and Loyola Universities in New Orleans, LA. Her graduate study was conducted at The Red Mountain Institute of Art.

Three of her paintings were purchased by the State of Florida and placed in their permanent collection. Renee just completed an oil painting commission for Stallion Boot Company, El Paso, TX. One of her paintings was accepted into the permanent collection Vieques Museum of Fine Art in Puerto Rico. Several of her paintings were juried in international exhibitions at The Brownsville Museum of Fine Art in Texas, a national exhibition at the Ellington-White Contemporary Gallery, the Amalie Arena in Tampa, Raymond James Financial Center, among many others.

Having traveled frequently to the Caribbean, she succeeds in imparting a sense of place and mood. Renee's perspective of the outdoor seaside viewed uniquely from inside gives the viewer a feeling of presence in the scene. Her large floral paintings set her apart from other artists in her contemporary presentation. Oil is Renee's medium of choice because she can control it and use it best to create the effect of light on her subjects. Her goal is to create beautiful images that glow with light.

Teaching/Art Experience:

Renee was trained at the Red Mountain Fine Art Institute in Mountain Brook, AL.

The turning point in her career began 40 years ago when she trained an Italian master artist. At that point she began to heavily concentrate on her craft.

She is a former faculty member of Ringling School of Art and Design as well as Tulane and Loyola Universities.

Renee developed a successful art program for children, teens and adults at the YMCA's in Sarasota.

The Renee also studied at the Louvre in Paris, France in September 2007.

Past and Present Teaching Locations:

Longboat Key Club, Longboat Key, FL

Bird Key Yacht Club, Sarasota, FL

The Glenridge, Sarasota, FL

Ringling School of Art and Design, Englewood campus

Currently

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Plymouth Harbor	Currently
The Oaks Club	Currently
Sarasota Bay Club	
Education Center, Longboat Key	Currently
Private Classes – Artists’ Studio on Palmer Ranch	Currently
Group Classes – Artists’ Studio on Palmer Ranch	Currently
Selby Gardens	
Mote Marine	
Art League of Bonita Springs	
Englewood Art Center	
Art League of Manatee County	
USF - Senior Academy, Sarasota Campus	
Art and Frame	
Continuing Education Adult Art Classes – Tulane University, New Orleans	
Continuing Education Adult Art Classes – Loyola University, New Orleans	
Private classes in St. Thomas, Grand Cayman Islands, San Miguel de Allende	

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Art Projects:

1. Commission completed in June 2018 for Stallion Boot Company, El Paso, TX where an oil painting was created of their award winning boots.
2. Renee was commissioned for six Monet-style paintings for a major bank in Chicago.
3. Renee and Carlo supplied the art for a 250 million dollar project in Virginia Beach, Virginia. This residential gated community has received a multitude of their creations with the project halfway complete.
4. The Flegell Corporation commissioned Carlo and Renee to produce a montage of their business historical sequence of growth, 30”x25 ft. for their boardroom in St. Louis, MO.

Juried Art Exhibitions:

- 7th Annual Tampa Bay Lightning’s Celebration of the Arts Group Show 2018
- 3rd Annual Longboat Key City Hall Celebration of the Arts Group Show 2018
- 2nd Annual Longboat Key City Hall Celebration of the Arts Group Show 2017
- 5th Annual Tampa Bay Lightning’s Celebration of the Arts, Tampa, FL 2016
- 1st Annual Longboat Key City Hall Celebration of the Arts Group Show 2016
- Manatee Players Theater, Bradenton, FL 2015
- Art Center Sarasota, January 16, 2014-March 1, 2014
- Visual Art Center, funded by the National Endowment for the Arts-juried – Punta Gorda, FL, Feb. 2014
- Plymouth Harbour ,one-woman show– Sarasota, FL February 2014
- Players Theatre – Sarasota, FL March 2014
- Art Center Manatee – Jan/Feb/May/June 2014
- Venice Art Center – March/April/June/July 2014

Awards and Nominations:

Renee DiNapoli has been awarded, “The Top Rated Painting Class for 2018” by Lessons.com

In January 2014, Renee won first place in the Member’s Show at Art Center Manatee and she won Honorable Mention at the Art and Frame exhibition, “What Inspires You”.

Renee has been granted an artist license to exhibit her art at the new federal building in Sarasota, FL from

January 1 through March 31, 2013.

She just completed a showing of her work at the Sarasota Council for the Arts and The Education Center on Longboat Key.

Renee's work was exhibited on the Seafair, mega yacht gallery in 2013 when it was docked in New Bern, NC.

Previous Exhibitions and One Man Shows:

Bird Key Yacht Club, Sarasota, FL One-Woman Show 2016

Raymond James Financial Center, Tampa, FL

Bal Harbour Galleries benefiting the Palm Beach Zoo, Bal Harbour, FL

Sarasota Bay Club, Sarasota, FL

Jacaranda Trace Club, Venice, FL

The Education Center, Longboat Key, FL

Distinguished Private Collections:

Virginia Toulmin, philanthropist, Sarasota, FL

Ehrlich Collection – Longboat Key, FL

Creely Collection – Tampa, FL

Knafla Collection – Sartell, MN

Tsolinas Family Collection – Barrington, IL

Simmons Collection

Vallance Collection

Kirscher Collection

Brandy Collection