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Biography and Artist Statement

Carlo DiNapoli is known the world over for his paintings of wildlife, landscapes, seascapes, portraits, florals, etc. Oil is his main love. His training in Florence, Italy with Maestro Ferrelli and in Japan with Master Soto as well as his studies at Tulane and Loyola Universities were the groundwork for this diversity.

With each painting, DiNapoli strives to create a canvas, an expression of life that is better than any he has ever done before: "In each painting you discover something on which you can build. All of my work is the result of a series of continual experiences." His communication and rendering are important but DiNapoli says, "First comes the striving for perfection – I explore, study and search constantly."

Like other great painters, DiNapoli is an eclectic figure who manages to do great things with just about everything he touches. He's a published author of novels, poetry and children's books as well the illustrations. One of these "The Longneck Bird of Longboat Key" was honored with the National Publishers Judges Award. Six of his cookbooks have been published with one "The Cajun Gourmet Afloat and On the Road" considered for the Julia Child's Award. Passing from one genre to the next is like child's play – all that changes is the means of expression, not the expression itself.

Teaching/Art Experience:

Carlo trained in Florence, Italy with Maestro Ferrelli and also in Japan with Master Soto.

Carlo and his wife, Renee studied at the Louvre in Paris, France in September 2007.

He is a former faculty member of Ringling School of Art and Design.

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

Past and Present Teaching Locations:

Ringling School of Art and Design, Englewood campus

Plymouth Harbor

The Oaks Club

Sarasota Bay Club

Education Center, Longboat Key

Private Classes – Artists' Studio on Palmer Ranch

Group Classes – Artists' Studio on Palmer Ranch

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

Art Lecture Series

Sarasota Bay Club
The Fountains
Gulf Gate Library

Art Projects:

1. Three of Carlo's paintings were purchased by the State of Florida and placed in its permanent collection.
2. Carlo and his wife are commissioned for six Monet-style paintings for a major bank in Chicago.
3. Carlo and his wife, Renee 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.

Recent Awards and Nominations:

1. Carlo has been granted an artist license to exhibit his art at the new federal building in Sarasota, FL from January 1 through March 31, 2013.
2. Carlo was nominated for the 2011 Sarasota County Arts Leadership Award.

One-Man Shows:

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
Players Theatre – Sarasota, FL March 2014
Plymouth Harbor - Sarasota, FL March 2014

His works are available in 5 major galleries across the country and in select private and corporate collections as well as some of the finest hunting lodges in the country.

Carlo'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:

Raymond James Financial Center, Tampa, FL
Arabian Breeders World Cup, Las Vegas
Arizona Arabian Horse Association, Scottsdale, AZ
Bal Harbour Galleries benefiting the Palm Beach Zoo
Mote Marine Laboratories Museum
The Education Center at Longboat Key
Jacaranda Trace Club, Venice, FL
Sarasota Bay Club, Sarasota, FL
Nuance Galleries in Tampa focusing on natural Florida wildlife and African wildlife

Distinguished Corporate and Private Collections:

Virginia Toulmin, major philanthropist, Sarasota, FL
The Flegell Corporation – St. Louis, MO
Harrington Collection (one of the Kennedy clan)
Garvin Collection

Kirscher Collection
Burgen Collection
Brady Collection
Ditmyer Collection
Sheik Abdul Shah- Dubai, Kuwait
Max Van Schneider – Germany
Steed Redmond – UK
Ditmyer Collection
Garton Collection – Paris, France