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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, Carlo DiNapoli of DiNapoli Studios and her graduate study at The Red Mountain Institute of Art in Mountain Brook, AL.

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 38 years ago with her mentor, Italian master artist, Carlo DiNapoli. At that point she began to heavily concentrate on her craft.

She 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.

The DiNapoli's also studied at the Louvre in Paris, France in September 2007.

**Past and Present Teaching Locations:**

Ringling School of Art and Design, Englewood campus	
Plymouth Harbor	Currently
The Oaks Club	
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. Renee and husband, Carlo are currently commissioned for six Monet-style paintings for a major bank in Chicago.
2. Renee and her husband, 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.
3. 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.

### **Art Exhibitions:**

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:**

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:**

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