### PRINCIPLE GALLERY

### About the Artist: Sara Linda Poly

Sara Linda Poly, originally from the Philadelphia area, studied at university in PA, VA, MD., and with local and national artists.

Sara's past experience includes illustration and design and work as assistant gallery director at the Art League Gallery, in Alexandria, VA., where she is now an instructor.

Known for her sweeping skies and dramatic light in the landscape, she has been the winner of numerous awards and a participant in many regional and national shows. Magazine articles include International Artist, Plein Air, Southwest Art and Elan Magazines.

Traveling and teaching around the US, Europe and Mexico, Sara paints and teaches workshops locally and internationally.

Memberships include: The Oil Painters of America, The Washington Society of Landscape Painters, and The Salmagundi Club, NYC.

"I have always been at home under the open sky. Trying to capture the beauty and mystery of nature with paint is a joy like no other...it is like coming home."

#### Education:

Philadelphia Academy of Art Montgomery College of Art and Design NOVA Community College

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#### Professional Experience:

1999 – Present Instructor- plein air and studio painting classes and workshops 1992 – 1999

Assistant Gallery Director, The Art League, Alexandria, Virginia 1980 - 1992

Freelance illustration, graphic design, portrait and mural commissions

#### **Professional Memberships:**

Washington Society of Landscape Painters Oil Painters of America Mid Atlantic Plein Air Painters of America Salmagundi Club, NYC

#### **Selected Honors:**

2017

Winner First Place Small Paintings, Easton Plein Air Judge- Finger Lakes Plein Air National Competition Regional Oil Painters of America Show 2016

Grand Prize Winner Plein Air Easton National Competition Regional Oil Painters of America Show 2015 and previous

First Place International Artist Magazine Landscape Award Academy Art Museum, Purchase of painting for permanent collection Feature Juried Participant in National Plein Air Competitions in many states in the US

### Magazine Articles:

Elan Plein Air International Artist Magazine Southwest Art Magazine

#### **Mural Sized Commissions:**

The Community Hospital, Ft Belvoir, MD

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The Salamander Spa, Middleburg, VA.

#### Group Exhibitions:

National and Regional Oil Painters of America Shows American Impressionist National Show The Salmagundi Club, NYC. (Award for Outstanding Work) Benefit for the Children's Art Foundation, San Miguel de Allende, MX Mayor's Exhibition of Visiting Artists, Barga, Italy Mayor's Exhibition with Students, Kalymnos, Greece Academy Art Museum: Three Woman Exhibition

#### Solo Exhibitions:

South Street Art Gallery, Easton, MD Berkley Gallery, Warrenton, VA Warm Springs Gallery, Warm Springs, VA