





## Peggy IMMEL painter



"I believe the why of a painting matters more than the what. The most exciting pieces to paint have both a visual and philosophical foundation." -Peggy Immel

Before landscape painter Peggy Immel begins a new piece, she asks herself, "Why are you painting this?" She does this to help stay focused on the original intention and ultimate goal of each piece. Sometimes the goal involves visual aspects like light, color or contrast, while other times it s more an attraction to the philosophical aspects of a particular subject.

Nature and adventure are Immel s muse: her paintings are inspired by the exotic beauty of the Southwest and her passion for the landscape is enhanced by experiences as an avid hiker, climber, skier, and general outdoor enthusiast. She took her first oil painting class at age ten and studied architecture at Arizona State University, also studying at three major New England art schools and participating in workshops with admired artists. A Master Signature Member of the Plein Air Painters of New Mexico and a Signature Member of Plein Air Artists Colorado, Immel is also a member of Rocky Mountain Plein Air Painters, an invitation-only association. A member of the 2018 Plein Air Convention Expo's faculty, she was recently invited to join their 2019 faculty. Regularly participating in plein air and western art exhibitions across the West, Immel lives in Taos, New Mexico with her husband.

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