

# *In Praise*

paintings by

**Patricia**

**Scarborough**

of Geneva, Nebraska



*The Way Back*, 2023, oil on canvas, 18 x 24 inches

## Artist Statement

I am unapologetically in love with the landscape. This appreciation has fueled my work for decades.

In early 2020, experiencing the cultural and personal upheavals of a pandemic as well as other life changes, I felt a pull to leave the grand skies and tree lines and acknowledge the subtle, oceanic movement of grasses, and the shadows that stain the surface of prairies and meadows. There was a need to acknowledge a tenuous life cycle, yet one with deep roots that would ensure the cycle would continue. Sensitivity to themes of regeneration, loss, patience and strength formed as I watched these movements and brought them to my easel. My work is about a moment when aromas rise and sounds reveal unseen life.

The work I am sharing with you represents both my love of the grand views of the Great Plains, and also this more intimate understanding of the profound simplicity of life.

## Artist Statement

Nebraska native Patricia Scarborough has focused on painting the shapes and shadows of the Midwest since she wound her way through Kearney State College, graduating eventually with a degree in Fine Art. She has studied with many fine artists, and considers life to have been her finest teacher.

Scarborough works from her home studio, making regular forays into the countryside near her home in Geneva in pursuit of an understanding of her place in this rural environment.

### Education:

Kearney, Ne., Public Schools, graduating 1974

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Kearney State College, NE, 1987

Various workshops with nationally recognized artists such as Hal Holoun, Dustin Van Wechel and Kim Casebeer

### Exhibitions:

"Cycles", two person exhibit at Studio K Gallery, Grand Island, NE 2022

Featured artist at Gallery on Lincoln Avenue, Hastings NE, 2021

National Oil Painting Juried Exhibition at Mark Arts Center, Wichita, KS 2021

Inclusion in the Museum of Nebraska Art's "Spirit: A Celebration of Art in the Heartland" benefit event, 2020, 2021, 2016

"Vision:20/20" Top Twenty Nebraska Agrarian Artists exhibit at Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art in David City, NE, 2020

Nebraska Biennial at Gallery 1516, Omaha, NE, 2109

Featured Artist at the Robert Henri Museum in Cozad, NE, 2018

"150 Artists, 150 Artworks, 150 Years of Nebraska in Miniature", Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art, David City, NE, 2017

One Person Exhibit at Minden Opera House, Minden, NE, 2016

American Plains Artist's National Juried Exhibition at Fort Concho Historical Landmark in San Angelo, TX, 2016  
 American Plains Artist's National Juried Exhibition at the Great Plains Museum in Lincoln, NE, 2015  
 One Person Exhibit Willa Cather Center, Red Cloud, NE, 2015  
 "Common Ground" exhibit at Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE, Nov. – Dec. 2012  
 "Land Marks" Featured Artist at Stuhr Museum, Grand Island, NE, Feb – Mar. 2012  
 "Kaleidoscope of Art", Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE, November 2011, 2012  
 Regularly participates in two-person exhibits at The Burkholder Project, Lincoln, NE, 2011 - current  
 Group Exhibit Prairie Winds Art Center, Grand Island, NE, November 2011  
 Group Exhibition Columbus Art Gallery, Columbus NE, September 2011  
 "Private Property" Solo Exhibit at Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE, May-June, 2011  
 Norfolk Arts Center 4<sup>th</sup> Juried Exhibit, Norfolk, NE, March 2011  
 "Wings Over the Platte" Juried Exhibit, Stuhr Museum, Grand Island, NE, Feb. 2019, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009  
 "Excerpts" Solo Exhibition, Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, NE, Aug. 2010  
 "One Square Mile" Solo Exhibition, The Burkholder Project, Lincoln, NE, March 2010  
 "Homegrown" 2-Person Pop-up Exhibit, Geneva, NE, July, 2009  
 "Up Close and Far Away" 3-Person Exhibit, The Landing at Williamsburg Village, Lincoln, NE, May-July 2009  
 "Open Spaces" Solo Exhibit, Minden Opera House, Minden, NE, March 2009  
 MidAmerica Pastel Society's Juried Member Show at Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO, March 2008  
 "Made in the USA" Group Exhibit, L'Eglise Art Center, Aurora, NE, Sept. 2008  
 "Hidden Treasures" 2-person Pop-up Exhibit, Geneva, NE, July, 2008  
 "3 Dimensions" Group Exhibit, Prairie Winds Art Center, Grand Island, NE, May 2008  
 MidAmerica Pastel Society's Juried Member Exhibit, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO, 2008  
 "Open Spaces" Solo Exhibit, Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, November 2007  
 "Stone Soup" Group Exhibit, Prairie Winds Art Center, Grand Island, NE, July 2007  
 "Articulation" 3-Person Exhibit, Prairie Winds Art Center, Grand Island, NE, May, 2006  
 International Association of Pastel Societies 8<sup>th</sup> Juried Exhibition, Raleigh, NC, May 2005  
 Carnegie Arts Center 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Juried Show, Alliance, NE, April, 2005  
 Norfolk Arts Center Juried Exhibit, Norfolk, NE, March 2005  
 "Point of View" Traveling Exhibit from Nebraska Arts Council Governor's Mansion Exhibitors, 2004  
 MidAmerica Pastel Society Juried Exhibit, Albrecht-Kemper Museum, St. Joseph, MO, 2004  
 Featured Artist University Place Art Center, Lincoln, NE, 2003  
 Chadron State College Juried Exhibition, Chadron, NE, 2003  
 MidAmerica Pastel Society Juried Exhibition, Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, St. Joseph, MO, 2002  
 57<sup>th</sup> Juried Exhibition, Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, IA, 2001  
 Pastel Society of New Mexico's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pastel Painting National Juried Exhibition, Albuquerque, NM, 2000

#### **Honors and Awards:**

"Best of Show", Norfolk Arts Center Juried Exhibition, 2011  
 "Best of Show", Wings Over the Platte Juried Exhibition, Stuhr Museum, Grand Island, NE, 2009  
 "Award of Merit", Wings Over the Platte Juried Exhibition, Stuhr Museum, Grand Island, NE, 2010  
 "Award of Excellence" Association of Nebraska Art Clubs' Annual Conference 2008, 2007, 1992  
 "First Place-Pastels", Carnegie Arts Center 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Juried Show, Alliance, NE, April, 2005  
 "Purchase Award" Association of Nebraska Art Club's Annual Conference and Exhibit, 1997

#### **Collections:**

Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art, David City, NE.  
 Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE.  
 Doane College, Crete NE.  
 Madonna Rehabilitation Facility, Lincoln, NE.  
 United Methodist Church Conference Office, Lincoln, NE.  
 Private collections in the United States, South America, Great Britain, and France.

#### **Memberships:**

American Women Artists  
 American Impressionist Society



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