Night Falls Everywhere paintings by Noah Flores of Marquette, Kansas

Artist Statement

These nocturnal scenes have been created over time and that has allowed me to explore the subject. They are unique and interesting in theme. I remember



Hugging the Moon by Noah Flores, 2024, oil on canvas

seeing these moody and mysterious landscape paintings in art reference books and museums. For many years I have admired the paintings of James McNeill Whistler. His "nocturnes" have had interesting ideas of music and art being intertwined. I have also enjoyed the paintings of Fredrick Remington – especially his Western subjects and landscapes cloaked by the night.

After thinking about the various aspects of these types of paintings, I spent time learning how to paint similar, more personal scenes. These paintings are an accurate record of specific places and times. That is one reason they are personal. One could trace where I have been like footprints through time. Another personal reason for me has been the learning experience. The act of painting a nocturne has been an adjustment of the palate and figuring out contrast and lighting options and conditions. The tonality of the works has also been a fun exploration.

Artist Biography

Being born in rural Kansas, I have always been influenced by the outdoors. I enjoyed the idyllic plains and woodlands of Kansas as a young boy and was exposed to the American West as well. These experiences have formed my love for the landscape and directed my artistic inspiration.

I attended Hutchinson Community College with an uncertain direction as a major. After focusing time on the arts, I decided to continue the path of a declared art major. After receiving an Associate's degree in 2006, I attended Bethany College as a declared art major focusing on studio painting. I received my Bachelor of Arts in 2008.

I currently live outside of Lindsborg and have a small art studio that I work in often. I currently work for the City of Lindsborg. Stewardship for the city's Parks Department allows me to continue to enjoy the landscape and the outdoors.

