

Nanette Fluhr

PORTRAITIST PAR EXCELLENCE

By Diana Pinck

Nanette Fluhr is a highly accomplished portrait painter and a master copier. She has won countless awards in national art competitions. In 2012, three of her paintings were selected to represent contemporary American realism in a six-city national tour of China. A great honor, the historic tour is a clear sign of the resurgence of realism in the international art world, a trend that started about 10 years ago.

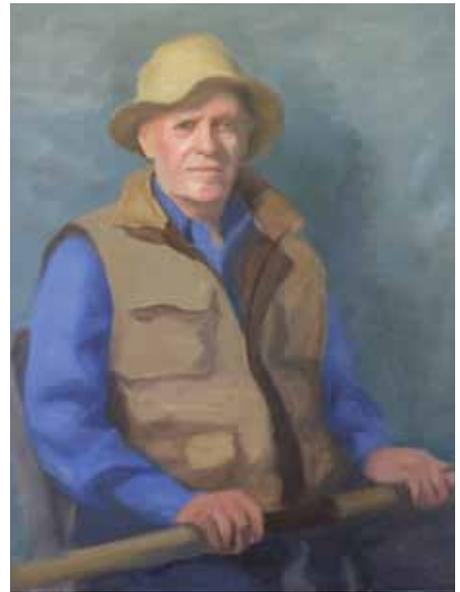
Nanette graduated from Rutgers University and the School of Visual Arts in New York City but it was at John Frederick Murray's School of Art that she learned the ways of the old masters. Murray ran his studio like a French atelier. Here Nanette spent her days from early morning 'til late at night immersing herself in the various styles, techniques and compositions of masters like Rembrandt, Velazquez and Reubens. Soon Nanette earned the distinction of becoming a registered copyist with the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

Today the Dix Hills resident is a sought-after portraitist. "I love portraiture, because it combines landscape painting, still life and the human form. I am interested in producing a likeness of the person, but I am more keen on capturing their essence, their personality, their spirit," she explains.

Grateful for her gift and career, Nanette shares her knowledge by teaching a portraiture class at the Art League of Long Island in Dix Hills, and Master Copying Class at the Teaching Studio of Art in Oyster Bay. In addition, Nanette always donates a portion of all her fees for portraiture to the Smile Train, the largest worldwide organization to repair cleft palettes. "It gives me great joy to know that my paintings enrich my clients' lives for years to come, and that a child will have [his or her] smile restored."

From Oct. 2 – 21, Nanette will be exhibiting in a group show at the Hutchinson Gallery, Schwartz Library at C.W. Post College L.I.U. The exhibit is called 7&7 as the works of seven painters and seven sculptors will be shown. The artist reception will be Sunday, Oct. 6 from 1 – 4 p.m. C.W Post College L.I.U. is located at 720 Northern Boulevard, Brookville, NY 11548. To learn more about Nanette Fluhr, visit www.nanettefluhr.com.





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