

## ROBIN WESSMAN

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### Biography

**Robin Wessman** is an award winning artist who paints in the realist tradition and is known for his coastal New England landscapes and still life paintings.

His inspiration comes from personal experience and the environment he lives in. The play of light on objects, the mood of scene or the narrative of ideas. Whether outdoors or in a controlled setting, light and definition of form is the focus of his paintings combined with imagination and technique. He paints objects or scenes that have the potential to go beyond the obvious and inspire viewers to see more than an accurate depiction of the subject. He enjoys the challenge of examining his subjects more closely through the process of painting and discovering new ways to express his ideas. His desire to push technical craftsmanship along with implied narrative is what excites and drives him as a painter. His intention is for the viewer to feel a connection to his work that engages on many levels.

Painting in oils on linen and panels Robin has developed a method of painting that begins with sketches and studies from life, followed by a combination of direct paint application and layers of glazes. The results are paintings with a unique perspective that have a quality and individuality all their own.

He received his Master of Fine Arts from Ohio University and a Bachelor of Fine Arts & Education from the University of Massachusetts, North Dartmouth. He also earned a Master in Business from the University of Rhode Island to keep pace with the demands of the business world. He is a firm believer in continuing to expand and refine his painting skills by studying at the Academy of Realist Art in Boston and completing workshops with artists such as Joseph McGurl, Bill Davis, Tom Deininger and Stuart Dunkel.

He is a member of the Provincetown Art Association and Museum, the Eastham Painters Guild, the Franklin Art Association, The Preservation Framer in North Attleboro, The Woodshed Gallery in Franklin, MA, and Gallery Artrio in the center of Hyannis.