

Sherry Luther Whitney



Sherry graduated from FSU in 1974 with a bachelors degree in art. That same month she married Rick Whitney, originally from Amityville, Long Island NY. They have lived in Tallahassee since then and have 2 children, Jonathan & Tara, and as of 2022, one grandson.

Sherry worked with the school system part time as the kids were growing up. As they got older she became somewhat serious about watercolor doing landscapes, still lifes and portraits. Then on to full time job in the late 90's, working the next 18 years at the Florida Retail Federation, a trade association, in a number of administrative capacities (including some meeting

planning), primarily as the lobby team administrator, which was fascinating at times. Working directly across from the Capitol allowed her the opportunity to be close to the events during the “hanging chads” episode, and then following 9/11. Definite memories that stand out.

After retiring almost 6 years ago, she started painting in oils for the first time since college and proceeded to get involved in portrait and figure painting with local groups. She also became attracted to plein air painting (painting outside on location) and has been fortunate to be invited to participate in several paintouts, in Wekiva Springs near Orlando, and in New Smyrna Beach, over the past several years. She has also participated in several area paintouts, including the Havana Painting in the Shade Paintout, and is an active member of Pines and Palms, a regional art group, which organizes a paintout in Boston GA. In late 2021 she was honored to be invited to be a part of Ten Artists LLC, a local group of talented professional artists. She paints alla prima (one sitting). Sherry really enjoys painting landscapes, plein air or studio, and also loves painting portraits from life.

Sherry regularly post her paintings on Facebook and Instagram, **@sherry.whitney.94**

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