Liz Bartlett Culp: Artist Bio

Like the more famous Jamie Wyeth and Raphael Peale, Liz Bartlett Culp comes from a family of artists. “It was the one thing we were encouraged to do when we were growing up. Grandma would keep us entertained for hours by suggesting things for us to draw. ‘Draw an elephant! Draw a tractor!’ Mom and Dad were always making things: Mom, original needlepoint designs and Dad elaborate bird carvings.” One of her sisters is a mural painter and another is an interior designer.

Liz took art classes starting at age 12 and continued off and on through high school and while raising two children. Painting was a spare time pursuit during her 30-year career as a Petroleum Geologist. Since retiring in 2020, Liz has been painting full time. Geology combines multiple sciences and requires creativity, so the transition was an easy one.

Liz has worked in watercolor, pastels and acrylics, with her current focus on oils. She loves to paint flowers and land- and skyscapes, especially of the Big Bend area and the Davis Mountains of Texas. She has taken classes and workshops from well-known artists such as David Leffel, Scott Christensen and Douglas Fryer, and she has won awards in juried shows for her work in all mediums.

The artist makes her home in Midland and Fort Davis, Texas.

Liz Bartlett Culp: Artist CV

B.A. Geology Wellesley College

M.S. Geology University of Oklahoma

1981-2020 with a 13-year hiatus for child rearing: Petroleum Geologist for Phillips Petroleum, Texas Oil and Gas, Chesapeake Energy and Apache Corporation in Oklahoma City and Midland

Since 2019: President, Midland Arts Association, a volunteer, non-profit focused on promoting the arts and artists in Midland, Texas. MAA organizes two juried art exhibits per year along with various artist workshops and demos.

Awards:

1992 Award of Excellence, Oklahoma Art Guild juried show, Oklahoma City

2020 First Place oils San Angelo Art Club June 2020 virtual show

2020 First Place acrylics San Angelo Art Club November Fiesta in Realism virtual show

2021 Best In Show Midland Arts Association Members’ Show and Sale

2022 Best in Show San Angelo Art Club Fiesta In Realism Show

2022 Best In Show San Angelo Art Club West Texas Regional juried Art Show and Sale

2022 Best In Show Midland Arts Association 45th Annual Juried Fall Show