

ROBERT WHITE

I lived in NY/NJ my entire life until moving here 5 years ago. I was the co-founder and director of a nonprofit school for disabled students. Although always interested in dabbling in art, I had no formal art education until I took some classes in the club.

One door closes and another opens...such is life. Covid slammed the door shut for everyone! I chose to make the most of being a shut in and decided to paint very challenging subjects using all mediums. Planes, people, places and pets is the result. Almost all the works are from this past year. I am particularly happy with my airplanes and jets - I never dreamed I could paint these. For people I chose athletes (sports heroes: Joe Namath, Carl Yastrzemski, Tom Brady, The Mick, etc., and gave most away as gifts), and family portraits. For portraits I chose mostly deceased family members and grand nephews and nieces (one group can't complain and the other's parents feel too guilty doing so!) I have learned so much but still have a long way to go.

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