

Zach E Bear

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SUMMARY

I am a self-taught traditional artist who started my journey in 2021. I seek to explore the complexities of human emotion—grief, ecstasy, melancholy, bliss, apathy, and desire—capturing the raw intensity of life and death. Through depictions of women and nature, I strive to balance realism and introspection. I often draw from photographs and life, but when working in oil, I paint purely from memory. This ensures that each piece remains true to my vision.

I have built a strong foundation in realism that lets me balance technical precision with expressive abstraction. Drawing from life has been a huge part of my learning experience, as well as incorporating the Charles Bargue & Jean-Leon Gerome Drawing Course and Bridgman's Complete Guide to Drawing From Life, 5th Ed.

EDUCATION/CLASSES

- Wichita Fine Art Atelier, Oil Painting Workshop, July 18, 2024 - July 20, 2024
- Wichita Fine Art Atelier, Sight Size Workshop, October 6 2023 & October 13, 2023
- Mark Arts, Foundation Figure Drawing, October 13, 2022 - December 1, 2022

SHOWS

- Wichita Fine Art Atelier Group Exhibition, Wichita KS, November 2024
- Little Brick Art Gallery, Wichita KS, Group Exhibition, April 2025

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Portraiture, Landscapes & Personal Realism
 - Graphite, Micron Pen, Ballpoint Pen
 - Oil Pastels, Watercolor, Oil Painting