

# J. M. S T E E L E

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## Representational Oil Painter

**B**orn and raised in La Jolla, California, Jeanne Marie Steele has lived throughout the West, focusing her work on Western themes and landscapes. *"Drawing and painting are some of my earliest and best memories. My oldest sister is an oil painter who studied with Wayne Thiebaud, and she often took me to art class where I posed and took in the surroundings of the studio, getting forever hooked on oil painting!"* Steele later studied for 4 years under the tutelage of internationally renowned painter Sebastian Capella, and Perrietta Hester, and has taken workshops with Wolf Kahn.

**S**teele uses numerous layers of paint on canvas and wood panels, often enhanced by a high varnish finish. This format can create a jewel-like quality which she sometimes enhances with gold leaf applied to the painting surface. Much of her work evokes a richness reminiscent of an 'old world' era. *"I try to incorporate a luminous inner glow in each painting,"* Steele states. *"I move from dark to light within the piece, creating a field of depth and hopefully mystery. I want my work to appeal to the viewer's emotions and memories...leaving some of the painting unexplained, just as life is."*

**S**teele now resides in Gold Beach, Oregon with her husband. She continues to travel throughout the American West, painting and gathering further inspiration. She has exhibited in many group and one person shows and has received numerous awards. Her oil paintings portray a variety of subject matter that she finds inspiring and exciting.

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### Exhibitions & Awards: 2003-2011

Planet Bronze Art Gallery -Invitational Miniature Show - Dec. 5, 2010 - Jan. 31, 2011 Bozeman, MT  
Mountain Oyster Club - 41st Annual Juried Western Art Show – Nov. 21 – Jan.10, 2011 Tucson AZ.

Cam Biennial - Coos Art Museum Regional Show – Oct.1 – Nov. 27, 2010 OR.

Coos Art Museums Expressions West Regional Juried Show - April 23 - July 3, 2010 OR.

**Permanent Collection Coos Art Museum - April 15, 2010 - Coos Bay Oregon**

Salon International Juried Exhibition San Antonio TX - April, 23 - July 3 2010

**Solo Exhibition at Coos Art Museum** - Dec. 11, 2009 – Feb. 13, 2010 Coos Bay, OR.

Planet Bronze Art Gallery - Invitational Miniature Show - Dec. 4, 2009 - Jan.31, 2010

Group Exhibition at Alexandra Stevens Fine Art - 'Small Ways to Be Thankful'

Nov. 27 - Dec. 27, 2009 **Reception:** Nov. 27th Friday 5:30-7:30 pm. Santa Fe, NM.

Plein Air Painters of Oregon Juried Exhibition - Oct. 1 - 31, 2009 Bend, OR.

GoldRush Art Center Show - Sept.-Oct. 2009 Gold Beach, OR. **Reception:** Sept.19th 3-7pm.

5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Coast Redwoods Art Assoc. Juried Art Competition- **Juror**- Sept. 1-29, 2009

Words & Pictures Gallery - Two Person Show - Sept. 1 - 30, 2009 Brookings, OR.

2nd Street Gallery Miniatures & Small Works Exhibition -June 5 - 30, 2009 Bandon, OR. -**1<sup>st</sup> Place Award**

GoldRush National Juried Exhibition - Winner of **2 Merit Awards** - May 1-31 2009 Gold Beach, OR.

Coos Art Museum Expressions West Regional Juried Show – April 24 – June 27, 2009

Winner of "**People's Choice Award**" at CAM Biennial 2008 -Receiving a solo Museum Exhibition December 11 - February 13, 2009

Planet Bronze Art Gallery -Invitational Miniature Show - December 5, 2008 - January 31, 2009

Mountain Oyster Club - 39th Annual Juried Western Art Show – Nov. 23 – Jan. 2009 Tucson AZ.

Cam Biennial - Coos Art Museum Regional Show – Oct. 10 – Dec. 6, 2009 - **Award**

Lawrence Gallery Show - July, 1 - July, 31, 2008 **Reception:** July 6th 2 - 4:00 p.m.

Coos Art Museum Expressions West Regional Juried Show – April 25 – July 5, 2008

Invitational Miniature Show - Planet Bronze Art Gallery – Dec. 6, 2007 – Jan. 31, 2008 Bozeman, MT.

American Women Artists 2007 National Juried Competition – Dec. 6 – Jan. 6, 2007 Scottsdale AZ.

Lawrence Gallery 30th Anniversary Group Show - June 23, 2007 Sheridan OR.

Brian Scott Gallery - One Person Show - June 9, 2007

Salon International Juried Exhibition San Antonio TX - May 18, 2007

Oil Painters of America 16<sup>th</sup> Annual National Juried Exhibition Fredericksburg TX - May 11, 2007

Coos Art Museum Expressions West Regional Juried Show - April 2007

Lawrence Gallery Annual Garden Party Show - July 2006

Salon International Juried Exhibition May 2006 - Jury's Top 50 - **Award**

Salon International Juried Exhibition San Antonio TX - May 19, 2006

Oil Painters of America 15th Annual National Juried Exhibition Missoula MT - May 5, 2006

Chosen for 'The Artist's Magazine' limited edition 2006 Calendar - **Special Award**

**Landscape Finalist** in 'The Artist's Magazine' 22nd Annual Competition - December 2005

Lawrence Gallery Portland Group Show - June 2005

Coos Art Museum Expressions West Regional Juried Show - May 2005

Lawrence Gallery Show - January 2005

Brian Scott Gallery Show - June 2004

**Landscape Finalist** in 'The Artist's Magazine' 20th Annual Competition - December 2003

Coos Art Museum Oregon's Wild Rivers Coast Group Show - July 2003

Coos Art Museum Regional Juried Show - April 2003 - **Award**

## **Galleries Represented by:**

Thomas Lee Gallery in Ashland Oregon

Elliott Fouts Gallery in Sacramento California

Susan Street Fine Art Gallery in San Diego California

Xanadu Gallery in Scottsdale Arizona

Alexandra Stevens Gallery in Santa Fe New Mexico

Lawrence Gallery in Sheridan, and Salishan Oregon

Words & Pictures Gallery in Brookings Oregon

GoldRush Art Center in Gold Beach Oregon

**National Affiliations:**

Associate Member of Oil Painters of America (OPA)

Supporting Member of American Women Artists (AWA)

**Publications:**

The Collector's Guide - Art of New Mexico 2010 - 2011

The Artist's Magazine - December 2005

Oregon Coast Magazine - January 2004

The Artist's Magazine - December 2003

Equine Images Magazine - Feb/March 1994

More of J.M.Steele's work may be seen on her website: [www.jmsteele.com](http://www.jmsteele.com)

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