## Clara Sue Beym Designer © Fine Artist

Biography and Creative Vision

Clara's first solo exhibit "Local Color" was held at the Berkeley Library in Bayville, consisted of 35 watercolor paintings, which represent over 10 years of the artist's work. Many of the paintings were inspired by the changing colors of the wetlands and local scenes surrounding her Bayville home. Inspiration comes from her daily walks to the Berkeley Island Park and the Cedar Creek area, as well as views along Bayview Avenue. The scenic views of the wildlife and marshes from her home keeps her inspired. See her most recent exhibit virtually on YouTube at: <a href="https://youtu.be/PZhvqbtFPOg">https://youtu.be/PZhvqbtFPOg</a>

Clara "Sue" was exposed to art as a young child, while watching and learning from her artistic grandfather. Clara Sue has been painting watercolors since she was in catholic grammar school. A graduate of Mercer County Community College, with a degree in Advertising Design, she also studied Textile Design and Fine Art. She furthered her education with studies in Architectural Design and Computer Graphics. The artist had a career in graphic design for over 40 years. She was employed for 25 years as a designer at ETS in Princeton, NJ. Her award-winning graphic designs and paintings were published internationally on study guides, book covers, posters and magazines. Clara recently won an award for watercolor in the senior arts contest of NJ.

The artist paints her interpretations of the beauty of nature using bright colors and bold brush strokes. She is very influenced by the early impressionists. While preferring to paint in watercolor, she also paints in oil and pastels. Painting Plein Air in coastal areas, and while on vacations, helps to keep her work fresh and spontaneous. Subject matter is usually animals, portraits, historic buildings, houses and landscapes of coastal areas and natural areas. She has sold prints of her work, as well as originals to collectors throughout the country. She has been commissioned to paint pets, portraits of homes, as well as NYC loft and office buildings.

Clara has assisted in a senior living art class and volunteers her time with autism adults as an art teacher. She regularly donates paintings to various fundraisers. Her artwork is in the collection of the Hamilton Twp. Historical Society and Mercer County Division of Culture & Heritage, and Berkeley Twp. Historical Society. Her paintings have been exhibited at local shows in libraries in both Mercer and Ocean Counties, on LBI and in galleries throughout NJ. She is an active member of Ocean County Artist Guild, Garden State Watercolor Society, where she is on the executive board and web master, Pine Shores Art Association she recently designed their "Pine Shores Guide to the Jersey Shore", Toms River Arts Council and West Windsor Arts Council. When she is not painting, she spends much of her time volunteering for these art organizations.

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## **Exhibitions**

- 2009 Home Fine Art Gallery, Mount Holly NJ
- 2010 ETS Employee Art Show, Princeton NJ
- 2010 West Windsor Arts Council -An Exploration of Winter in Art, West Windsor NJ
- 2010 July Ocean County Photography Juried show
- 2012 Ocean County Artists State Juried Show. Island Heights NJ,
- 2012 Garden State Watercolor Society, Annual Juried Show, Stockton NJ
- 2012 Office of Historic Sites New Jersey State History Fair Art Exhibit, Stockton NJ
- 2012 TAWA-Trenton Makes- Trenton/NY Exhibit, Ellarslie Museum
- 2013 Mercer County Community College, Mercer County Artists juried show, Mercerville NJ
- 2013 Garden State Watercolor Society, Annual Juried Show, Stockton NJ
- 2013 Ocean County Artists State Juried Show. Island Heights NJ,
- 2013 West Windsor Arts Council "Off the Wall" show
- 2014 West Windsor Arts Council "Out of the Blue" Exhibit
- 2014 D & R Greenway Johnson Education Center, "Disappearing Oasis and Mirage"
- 2015 Garden State Watercolor Society Juried exhibit, Middletown, NJ
- 2016 West Windsor Arts Council "Off the Wall" show
- 2017 West Windsor Arts Council "Natural Muse" show
- 2017 D & R Greenway Johnson Education Center, "Feather and Flight"
- 2018 Garden State Watercolor Society, Annual Juried Show, Ellarslie Trenton City Museum
- 2018 West Windsor Arts Council, "Off the Wall" Show
- 2019 West Windsor Arts Council, Juried show "Fiction"
- 2019 Invitational show at Ocean County Library Little Egg Harbor along with 3 other artists.
- 2019 Invitational Show at Ocean County College with TRAC
- 2020 Pine Shores Art Show Themed monthly online
- 2020 Garden State Watercolor Society, Small But Mighty Show
- 2020 Various Monthly Shows at Toms River Arts
- 2021 Various Pine Shores Exhibits online and in Tuckerton Gallery
- 2021 Garden State Watercolor Society Member Exhibit
- 2021 West Windsor Floral Persuasion Juried Exhibit
- 2021 GSWS Small but Mighty Exhibit
- 2021/2022 Dec and January by Invitation Solo exhibit at Berkeley Twp library
- 2022 OCAG Juried Exhibit
- 2022 OCAG Member Exhibits
- 2022 Tuckerton Boro Hall
- 2022 LBI Beach Haven Boro Hall
- 2022 Cranbury Goudard Gallery Exhibit
- 2022 Toms River/ Ocean County Senior Art Exhibit
- 2022 GSWS Member Exhibit
- 2022 GSWS Small But Mighty Exhibit
- 2022 Pine Shores Plein Air Exhibit
- 2022 "Women on the Cutting Edge" Printmakers OCAG Island Heights
- 2023 LBI Beach Haven Boro Hall Travel Exhibit
- 2023 OCAG Member Exhibits
- 2023 Whitesbog Trust Gallery
- 2023 Monmouth University Arts Juried Exhibit
- 2023 GSWCS Juried Exhibit

## **Awards**

2022 First Place in Professional WC OC for Senior Exhibit

Honorable Mention in NJ for Senior Exhibit

Honorable Mention for Plein Air Exhibit Pine Shores Art Association

2023 First Place in Professional WC OC for Senior Exhibit