

Denise Antaya



Puddles

Oil on birch panel

12" x 24"

Sold

Puddles was inspired by a drive in the countryside looking for painting locations. It was a rainy day and quite gloomy. I snapped a quick photo and carried on. It was a horrible image on my phone but it kept drawing me in. The puddles were reflecting the sky and I had to paint it. It was evident that I would have to return and/or make a lot of the scene up. So began my interpretation based on a poor photo, a few visits back to the location and my experience plein air painting.

Puddles was awarded Honourable Mention in the 14th Annual ARC Salon Competition.

It was also juried into the OPA 29th National Juried Exhibition where it sold.

It was the painting that won me a spot on Landscape Artist of the Year Canada.

Denise was born in Windsor, Ontario. She was always an artist from a young age. After a 31 year career in Advertising she decided to follow her passion for landscape painting, full time. With training at the Academy of Realist Art in Toronto and Plein Air Workshops with notable landscape painters under her belt she began to follow her dream.

She primarily works in oils on wood or linen. The everyday themes in Antaya's oil paintings combine her love of nature and her fascination with light and how it transforms an often overlooked scene. Her subjects range from season to season, but almost always represent the

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natural environment untouched by man. She has the ability to capture a moment and even transport one back to a quieter, simpler time.

Denise was a finalist on Landscape Artist of the Year Canada in 2019. The television show aired on Makeful TV, CBC, Cottage Life TV and Sky Arts in the UK.

With 40 exhibitions across Canada and the United States, her paintings have earned a dozen awards.

Denise is a member of [OPA](#), [NOAPS](#) and [IGOR](#).

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