



## Betty Anne Kreutziger

Betty Anne grew up in Philadelphia and was always encouraged by her family and art teachers to pursue her love of art. While in high school she attended Saturday classes at the Philadelphia Academy of Art and graduated from Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. as an Art Education major. Betty Anne married her Navy ( and eventually corporate executive) husband and they moved all over the U.S. while Betty Anne raised a family and taught art part time. The family also enjoyed three years in northern Spain where Betty Anne taught art classes to children and adults. This is where she was introduced to Sorolla's light filled colorful impressionist paintings. As an art major she absorbed the art of Sargent, Monet, Cezanne and many Impressionists. Finally settling down in California, where art teaching jobs were scarce, she decided to return to school and get a certificate in Environmental and Interior design which led to a 20 year career as an ASID interior designer. Karl and Betty Anne travel extensively and she always has a watercolor sketchbook on hand to capture the moment.

Spring of 2018 they spent three weeks in Provence, Honfleur and northern Spain so she could paint and experience the land of the Impressionists again. Betty Anne painted for many years in watercolors only recently returning to oil painting. Many days she can be found outside painting "en plein air" like the Impressionists. She uses some as studies for larger paintings finished in her studio. While living in Arizona she took advanced classes at the Scottsdale Artists School. She recently returned there for a week long oil painting workshop with Lori Putnam- a preeminent American impressionist. She is excited to finally have enough time to be painting seriously and agrees with Pablo Picasso when he said, "It takes a long time to become young." Memberships: LAPAPA (Laguna Plein Air Painters Association), SOCALPAPA (Southern California Plein Air Painters Association), North Coastal Art Gallery. Juried shows in the preceding associations. "Best in Show" North Coastal Art Gallery.