Jean Lea

Road Trip MemoriesArchival Pen and Watercolor

Artist's Statement

Both Eric and Peety were lucky fellows. Their lives were changed for the better as they found so many new things in the world to enjoy. Their walking trips in and around San Jose were the beginning of a great adventure to wonderful places in the U.S. west coast states. Peety was given a gift from Eric of fun and happiness that he previously did not have; and in turn Peety gave back the same to Eric. It is a moving story of physical and emotional changes and unconditional love and friendship.

My Process

Road Trip Memories is composed of archival ink and watercolor on 300 lb. watercolor paper. In painting this artwork I wanted to depict the wonderful times Peety and Eric had as they traveled and toured new places. I began the painting by drawing a map outline of the west coast states and drew landmarks and places that were significant to their adventures. From Peety's first leap in the park pond in San Jose to walks across the San Francisco bay bridge, boat trip and tour of Alcatraz, wine train trip through Napa Valley vineyards, visiting the redwoods and Trees of Mystery, walking on a track in Track Town USA (Eugene Oregon), visiting the Seattle Space Needle, and to Peety's final home.

Artist's Bio

I was born in Salem and currently live near Salem bordering a wetland reserve that we own and manage. I attended Oregon College of Education majoring in art and minoring in psychology. Although I left formal art college education early, I continued to attend art classes from various college professors and instructors, and well-known artists. I have been an active member of the Watercolor Society of Oregon since 1993 and a member of the Salem Art Association and International Society of Experimental Artists. I have exhibited in many shows and have a piece of artwork in the Art in Agriculture permanent collection at Oregon State University.

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Art Label:

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Medium: Archival Pen and Watercolor on 300 lb. watercolor paper

Size: 10 ½" x 14 ½"

Price: \$350.00