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Brenda Kidera is a representational artist. Her paintings reflect a deep appreciation for the beauty of nature. Kidera captures moments in time with brushstrokes that convey the light and mood and delicate details of her subject matter. She spends hours in the field sketching, observing and photographing, and she spends many more preparing for well-thought-out compositions from the information gathered. Her work has won many awards and has been exhibited throughout the US, including one-woman shows and major art exhibitions.

Beyond a fine art degree, Kidera studied classical oil painting and has attended workshops with several nationally recognized artists. Her work has been featured in many publications. Juried signature artist memberships include the Washington Society of Landscape Painters, Society of Animal Artists, International Guild of Realism, Baltimore

Watercolor Society, Pennsylvania Watercolor Society and Potomac Valley Watercolorists. She also holds memberships in several other organizations: Oil Painters of America, National Watercolor Society, Transparent Watercolor Society, to name a few. Since the 1990's, Kidera has taught painting classes and workshops, given lectures and painting demonstrations, and served as a juror for arts organizations. She continues to paint commissioned portraits, landscapes and other subjects for a wide range of clients.

Kidera's studio is located in Woodbine, Maryland surrounded by gardens and wildlife which are inspiration for many of her paintings.

ORGANIZATIONS, Current & Past

- Juried Signature Artist Member of Washington Society of Landscape Painters: 2009 to present; Board Member
- Juried Signature Artist Member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society: 1987 to present. Served on Board of Governors.
- Juried Signature Artist Member Society of Animal Artists: 2011 to present
- Juried Signature Member Pennsylvania Watercolor Society 2018
- Juried Signature Member International Guild of Realism
- Juried Artist Member of the Potomac Valley Watercolorists: 1996 to present
- Member of the National Watercolor Society, American Watercolor Society, Transparent Watercolor Society of America, Oil Painters of America
- Member of Mid-Atlantic Plein Air Painters Association
- Howard County Arts Council

JUROR

- Baltimore Watercolor Society
- Delaware Watercolor Society
- Johns Hopkins University/Applied Physics Laboratory
- Other regional exhibits

TEACHING - 1997 TO PRESENT

- Adult Classes in Watercolor, Oil, Acrylic, and Drawing
- Guest artist/speaker/workshop instructor for arts organizations: Baltimore Watercolor Society; Washington Society of Landscape Painters; Delaware Watercolor Society; Annapolis Watercolor Society; Olney Art Association; Carroll County Artists Guild; Montgomery Art Association; Laurel Art Guild; Chesapeake Decorative Painters Society; Millsboro Art League; Columbia Art Center; Art League of Ocean City; Others
- Howard County Recreation & Parks: 2006 to Present
- Fine Art to Teens & Children

EDUCATION

- Towson University, Fine Art, with Honors
- Studied Art and Architecture in Florence, Italy
- Studio Art: Private Instruction with David Zuccarini
- Workshops: Martha Mans, Linda Moyer, Joe Fettingis, Nicholas Simmons, Louis Escobedo, Paul Jackson, Linda Baker, Frank Eber

GALLERIES

- HorseSpirit Arts Gallery, Ellicott City, Maryland
- Peninsula Gallery, Lewes, Delaware



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PARTIAL LIST OF GALLERY & JURIED EXHIBITIONS, AWARDS AND HONORS

2024 University of Maryland Global Campus, Biennial Maryland Regional Juried Art Exhibition
 2023 International Guild of Realism's 17th Annual Juried Exhibition, Sugarman-Peterson Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
 2023 Waterfowl Festival, Easton, MD
 2023 Keeseville Plein Air Festival, Keeseville, NY
 2023 Feathered Friends: Peninsula Gallery, Lewes, DE
 2021 I Am Woman: Portrait Show at Peninsula Gallery, Lewes, DE
 2021 American Women Artists 2021 Spring Online Juried Show
 2020 International Guild of Realism's 15th Annual Juried Exhibition, Principle Gallery, Charleston, SC
 2020 International Guild of Realism's Spring Salon Juried Exhibition
 2020 Society of Animal Artists Members Show
 2020 Fins, Feathers, & Fur Exhibition, Peninsula Gallery, Lewes, DE
 2020 Solo Show Nature's Gifts, HorseSpirit Arts Gallery, Savage, MD
 2020 Washington Society of Landscape Painters, Principle Gallery, Alexandria, VA
 2019 Winner, Howie Award, Most Outstanding Artist for significant contribution to the arts in Howard County
 Baltimore Watercolor Society's Mid-Atlantic Exhibition, Eight State Regional:
 2021 Juror: Anne Abgott, AWS, NWS
 2020 Juror: Linda Daly Baker, AWS, NWS
 2018 Winner, Ann Nobel Kerr Award; Winner, People's Choice Award.
 Juror: Kathleen Conover
 2017 Juror: Frank Eber
 2016 M. Graham Award. Juror: Joyce Hicks, AWS
 2015 Juror: Mark Mahaffey, AWS-DF, NWS
 2013 Canson-Arches Award. Juror: Paul Jackson, AWS, NWS
 2011 Jack Richeson Award. Juror: John Salminen, AWS-DF, NWS
 2010 Juror: Jean Uhl Spicer, AWS, NWS
 2009 Juror: Frank Francese, NWS
 2007 Juror: Tony van Hasselt, AWS
 2006 Potomac Valley Watercolorists Award. Juror: Linda Doll, AWS, NWS
 2005 Juror: Jean Grastorf, AWS, NWS
 2004 Juror: Martha Mans, AWS, NWS
 2003 Juror: Polly Hammett, AWS, NWS
 2002 Juror: Katherine Chang Liu
 2019 Society of Animal Artists 59th Annual Exhibition, Briscoe Western Art Museum, San Antonio, TX
 2019 International Guild of Realism's 14th Annual Juried Exhibition, Principle Gallery, Alexandria, VA
 2001 Winner, M. Graham & Company Award. Juror: Margaret Huddy, AWS, NWS
 2018.....Pennsylvania Watercolor Society's 39th Juried Exhibition,
 Juror: Keiko Tanabe, NWS - Honorable Mention
 2017.....Barnstormers Tour & Plein Air - Best in Show Award
 2017.....Oil Painters of America 26th Annual National Exhibition, Cincinnati, OH
 2017.....Solo Show, National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MD
 2016.....Solo Show, NatureWorks, at BlackRock Center for the Arts, Germantown, MD
 2016.....From the Garden, Two Woman Show at Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, MD
 2011 to 2016....Waterfowl Festival, Easton, MD, November

2015.....Society of Animal Artists 55th Annual Exhibition, Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Amhurst, NY
 2015.....Pennsylvania Watercolor Society's 36th Annual Juried Exhibition
 2015.....Potomac River Painters: Four Person Show at American Painting, Wash., DC
 2014.....Society of Animal Artists 53rd Annual Exhibition, The Wildlife Experience, Parker, CO
 2012-2013.....Society of Animal Artists 52nd Annual Exhibition, Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum, Oradell, NJ; traveling show Lexington, KY, Kenosha, WI, and Mason City, IA
 2013.....National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MD, Solo Exhibit
 2013.....Celebrating 100 Years, Paintings by the Washington Society of Landscape Painters, McBride Gallery, Annapolis, MD, July 7-July 28

SELECTED JURIED EXHIBITIONS

The Wildlife Experience, Parker, CO
 Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum, Oradell, NJ
 University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
 Kenosha Public Museum, Kenosha, WI
 Charles H. MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, IA
 The Athenaeum, Alexandria, VA
 Bernice Kish Gallery at Slayton House, Columbia, MD
 BlackRock Center for the Arts, Germantown, MD
 Kentlands, Gaithersburg, MD
 Delaplaine Arts Center, Frederick, MD
 Peninsula Gallery, Lewes DE
 National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MD
 Howard County Center for the Arts, Ellicott City, MD
 Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, MD
 Chasen Gallery, Richmond, VA
 Carlisle Art Center, Carlisle, PA
 Prince Georges Community College, Laurel, MD
 American Painting Fine Art Gallery, Washington, DC
 Meeting House Gallery, Columbia, MD
 River District Art Center, Sperryville, VA
 Stevenson University, Stevenson, MD
 McBride Gallery, Annapolis, MD
 The Mill, Millwood, VA
 Columbia Art Center, Columbia, MD
 Arts Club of Washington, Washington, DC
 Still Life Gallery, Ellicott City, MD
 Workhouse Arts Center, Lorton, VA
 Zoll Studio of Fine Art, Timonium, MD
 Prince George's Comm.Coll., Laurel, MD
 Dennon Museum Center, Traverse City, MI
 Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Amhurst, NY
 Peninsula Fine Arts Center, Newport News, VA
 Appleton Museum of Art, Ocala, FL
 Edison Gallery, Washington, DC
 Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD
 Gordon Center for the Performing Arts, Baltimore, MD
 Patuxent Wildlife Refuge, Laurel, MD
 University of Maryland University College, Adelphi, MD
 Montpelier Cultural Art Center, Laurel, MD
 Ward Center for the Arts, Lutherville-Timonium, MD
 The Delaplaine Visual Arts Center, Frederick, MD
 Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, MD
 Herndon Artspace, Herndon, VA
 LaTerra Gallery, Baltimore, MD
 Community College of Baltimore County, Catonsville, MD
 Bendann Art Gallery, Baltimore, MD
 Gallery Unicorn, Lutherville, MD
 National Watercolor Society Gallery, San Pedro, CA
 Fairhaven Community Gallery, Sykesville, MD
 Meeting House Gallery, Columbia, MD
 Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis, MD
 Government House, Annapolis, MD
 Three Arts Club of Homeland, Baltimore, MD
 Federal Reserve Bank, Baltimore, MD