

## **Carmella M. Fifty**

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**1982 to Present:** As a portrait artist, I have used oils, pastels, charcoal, pen and ink, carbon dust, and mixed media. From 1982 to 2002 as a medical illustrator, I specialized in facial reconstruction.

**2010 to 2015:** I work part time as adjunct faculty at Harford Community College as a Learning Specialist in the Learning Resources Center.

**2009 to 2011:** I worked part time as Assoc. Director of Admissions at Harford Friends School (HFS) and edited *Gatherings*, their newsletter. I handled admissions, PR and marketing; managed the high school placement program; wrote articles, marketing materials, SOPs, and press releases; edited student articles; updated the website; and much more.

**1997-2008:** I assisted teaching staff in grades Pre-3 through 8 in my sons' schools. I published three issues of a literary magazine; helped with lunch duty, classroom parties, sports day, field trips, manning book fairs, fall festival booths, bake sales; instructed students in numerous baking activities; and taught classes in photography and biking. At HFS, I was PTA President for two and a half years. I presided over all meetings, made presentations at open houses and education fairs, met with the School Board, wrote the Association By-Laws, Handbook and numerous articles for the school website and publications.

**1985 to 1993:** As president of the Chesapeake Biocommunicators ('85-'91) I coordinated and served as Master of Ceremonies for annual meetings. I co-coordinated workshops for a national meeting of the Association of Medical Illustrators and chaired committees for Student Affairs, Workshops, and Regional Meetings. I presented lectures on illustration and gave technique demonstrations at the Maryland Institute College of Art, Loyola College, and Loch Raven High School.

**1984 to 2002:** I was a freelance medical illustrator, working full time from 1988 –1994 then subsequently part time while raising a family. I illustrated for numerous medical publishers, instrument companies, and surgeons.

**1982 to 1988:** I was a staff illustrator in the Department of Art as Applied to Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, MD. I illustrated for texts, slides, journals, video, TV, exhibits, and brochures. I designed and produced 3-D models and exhibits. I helped the graduate program by presenting special lectures and assisting with student projects.

### **EDUCATION**

**2011:** Peer to Peer University (online). I studied WordPress website building, HTML and CSS

**2009:** Harford Community College, Harford County, MD. I studied Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access).

**1982:** Awarded degree of Master of Arts in Medical and Biological Illustration from the Department of Art as Applied to Medicine, the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD.

**1980:** Schuler's School of Fine Art, Baltimore, MD

**1979:** Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD

**1978:** Awarded degree of Bachelor of Science in Biology from Loyola College, Baltimore, MD. Dean's List.

## **AWARDS and EXHIBITIONS**

2016 (December) and 2017 (January) Crystal Moll Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland assorted miniature landscape paintings.

2016 (December) The Holiday Gallery, Havre De Grace, Maryland. 21 assorted works

2016 (December) Small Wonders International Competition, Maryland Federation of Art, Annapolis, Maryland, *Peeled for Goodness*

2016 (December) Harford Authors and Artists Show, assorted works

2016 (November) University of Maryland School of Medicine Graduate Student Lounge Exhibit, assorted works

2016 (August) Solo exhibition at Barnes and Noble in Bel Air, MD, assorted works

2016 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Bel Air, MD, Best of Show and First Prize Watercolors , *The Old Fishing Shack*

2016 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Bel Air, MD, First Prize Oils, *Turnips*

2016 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Bel Air, MD, First Prize drawings, *American Eagle*

2016 (January) Harford County Public Library - Bel Air Branch Solo Exhibition, assorted works

2015 Juried Exhibition, Harford Artists Association, Bel Air, MD, *Portraits of Ann and Mary*, Peoples Choice Award, *Ann*

2015 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Bel Air, MD, Best of Show and First Prize, *Portrait of Ann*

2015 (April-May) Deer Creek En Plein Air Painters Art Exhibit at Barnes and Noble, Bel Air, MD, Assorted landscape

2014 Deer Creek Harmony En Plein Air Art Show, *Ma and Pa Trail* and *Stone Building at Scott's Old Fields*

2014 Juried exhibition, Harford Center for the Arts at the Gallery at Harford Community College, *Portrait of Sam*

2014 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Best of Show and First Prize, *Portrait of Fran*

2013 Harford County Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, Best of Show and First Prize, *Portrait of Joseph*

2013 Microsoft's Best Windows Apps Editor's Pick Award, *Backyard Birds*

2000 Elected Fellow of the Association of Medical Illustrators

1991 Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Illustrated Book Award

1990 Association of Medical Illustrators, Illustrated Book Award, *Biology: A Study of Life*

1987 Association of Medical Illustrators, Honorable Mention, Projection Media

1984 Association of Medical Illustrators, Honorable Mention, 3-D Art

1982-1992 Participated each year in the Association of Medical Illustrators Annual Exhibitions at the Annual Meetings

1982 Annette S. Burgess Award for Ophthalmological Illustration, Department of Art as Applied to Medicine, the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine