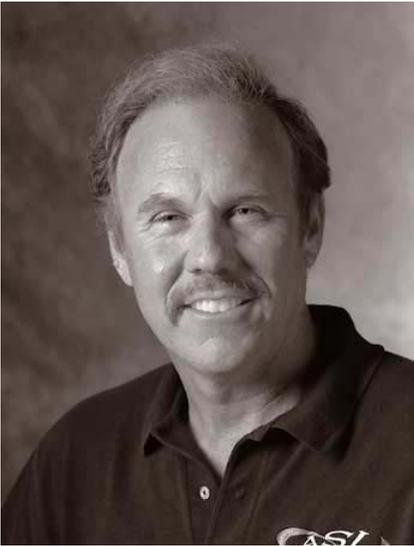


LEO STANS



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About

Born and raised in Chaska, MN, Leo holds a degree in forestry. An active member of the community, he contributes a portion of his royalties to national and local causes. As a conservationist and outdoorsman, Leo researches the natural habitat of his subjects, photographing wildlife, habitat and landscapes. His research results in incredible technical detail of his wildlife art. Painting professionally now for over a decade, he has become one of the nation's most celebrated and collected wildlife artists.

Artist's Statement

"I have heard it said that our talents are given to us for the benefit of others and it is our responsibility to develop these to the best of our ability and use them for the good of others. I have pursued this ideal since I became a professional artist in 1980. Up until that time most of my efforts were put into various sales jobs that were somewhat lucrative yet unfulfilling. Most of my evenings were spent painting and developing my skills as an artist. I also took art classes at the Minneapolis Institute of Art. It wasn't until the late seventies that I noticed wildlife art was becoming very popular and at the time was my favorite subject to paint. I decided to break away from selling life insurance and go into painting full time. I had saved enough money to get by for about six months without any income. Either I was going to make a living as an artist, or it would have to remain a hobby. Now after 26 years as an artist, I can proudly say that people all over the world enjoy my art.

I enjoy painting various subjects from landscapes to city scenes. This keeps my inspiration high and I avoid boredom from doing the same thing over and over again. I am always striving to improve and create better work. The pursuit of creating the perfect painting is an elusive goal for any artist. However, the attempt must be made. If at the end of life's journey this goal has not been met, at least I will know that I have given my very best." (From Website)

Works



Asset #: 2192 Title: "Misty"

See the artist's web site for more information, and several gallery photos.



Artist's Web Site: http://www.wildwings.com/DirectionsWEB/webcart_multiBuy.php?catid=STANSBIO