

8 of My Favorite Living American Artists

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- **Carolyn Anderson** is a loose impressionist master painter. She is bold and minimalist in her brush strokes. Her paintings take very enjoyable work on the part of the viewer, as she leaves a lot un-described.

Style: Impressionist

Subject Matter: Figurative

URL: <http://www.carolynanderson.com/>

Location: Montana

- **David Leffel** is a master realist painter. He is both an insightful, creative genius and a sweet generous person. He coined the term Abstract Realism. His paintings remind me of Rembrandt, but his style is distinctively his own.

Style: Abstract Realism

Subject Matter: Figurative, still life

URL: <http://davidleffel.com/>

- **Douglas Fryer** is an amazing modern realist painter. His landscape paintings make heavy use of the pallet knife. He has a mesmerizing combination of photo realism and complete abstraction.

Style: Abstract Realism

Subject Matter: Landscapes, figurative

URL: <http://douglasfryer.blogspot.com/>

Location: Utah



Quang Ho is a modern realist painter, but works in other styles as well. His work is complex, strong and compelling.

Style: Realism, but is willing to work in different styles

Subject Matter: Figurative, still life

URL: <http://www.quangho.com/>

Location: Colorado



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- **Qiang Huang** is an impressionist painter with a very painterly style. His main focus is light, and as a physicist he really understands how it works. He is also a delightful person.

Style: Modern Realist / Impressionist

Subject Matter: Still Lifes, landscapes and people.

URL: <http://www.qh-art.com/>

Location: Texas



Stan Miller is a great realist watercolor painter. I was able to take a workshop from him several years ago and loved it. He has a unique way of using composition and abstraction that is lovely. *(Image with permission from artist.)*

Style: Realism

Subject Matter: Figurative, landscapes

URL: <http://stanmiller.net/>

Location: Washington State

- **Kevin Macpherson** is an extremely successful impressionist painter. His books were a big influence on how I think about my color pallet.

Style: Impressionist

Subject Matter: Landscapes, Portraits

URL: <http://kevinmacpherson.com/>

- **Robin Weiss** is a fantastic up and coming plein air painter. I love his use of value and color, and especially how he captures beautiful subtle temperature changes in his shadows.

Style: Modern Realist / Impressionist

Subject Matter: Landscapes, still life objects, animals and people.

URL: <http://www.robinweissfineart.com/>

Location: Washington State



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