



Studio Tour: Lynn Matsuoka's Empathic Art

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CNN reported: "Few artists so completely dominate their field that their name becomes synonymous with the subject matter, but Lynn Matsuoka...succeeded in capturing the essence of Sumo and has won a loyal following...."

Lynn Matsuoka is known worldwide for her reportage drawing of the Japanese Kabuki and Sumo worlds and as a color commentator for 15 years on the world-wide television coverage of the tournaments. In Hawaii, Matsuoka won awards for her paintings and drawings of Hula, witnessed behind the scenes. Her work has also been seen through illustrating some of the highest profile courtroom events in the United States.

Now living in The Hamptons, Matsuoka has turned her attention to fine art portraits, equestrian (polo and jumping subjects) and, most recently, soaring birds as part of the spectrum of artwork interests. Her Bridgehampton studio is now open for studio visits by appointment, just in time for holiday gift giving.



"Rock Star" by Lynn Matsuoka. Montage oil portrait on archival paper, 14 x 17 inches. \$10,000. Portraits in this style can be commissioned. Done from life or photos.

Matsuoka's paintings and drawings provide an empathetic insight into worlds she covers, and, as her subjects often comment, into the portraits she paints.

Matsuoka's eclectic interests have her documenting the Broadway theater, Major league Baseball, NFL, Hollywood movie productions, symphony orchestras and the top ballet companies, among many subjects. Her artwork has been published everywhere.

Her first love is reportage drawing and has a knack of artistically capturing people performing sports, in the throes of theater and dance, and action in any genre. Her portraits are the natural derivation and commissions are welcome.

Visit the studio to see what we have! Visitors will receive a personal tour of the artwork. The artist will be available for consultation for personal custom portraits and pieces capture subjects in mid-motion.

PORTRAITS

Whether traditional, montage or reportage, like the painting of *BIG CHRIS*, captures the sensibility and substance of the subject. Portraits can be done from photographs or from life. Sizes begin at 11 x 14 inches and are priced according to size and style and range from \$750 to \$15,000.



“Big Chris” by Lynn Matsuoka. Mixed media on prepared craft and newspaper, 11 x 14 inches. \$3750. Portraits in this and traditional styles can be commissioned.

COLLECTIBLE PAINTINGS OF SPORTS ICONS

Collectible paintings of sports icons are also on view in Matsuoka’s studio. The Yankees collection is available or commission a portrait of your favorite athlete. Paintings can be done in a traditional style or montaged with elements of his or her sport.



“Derek Jeter – Do What You Love” by Lynn Matsuoka. Oil and mixed media on prepared paper, 12 x 17.5 inches. \$3500.

EQUESTRIAN COLLECTION

The EQUESTRIAN COLLECTION includes on location drawings and paintings developed from on-site drawings. Most drawings are done on local fields of The Hamptons and Wellington, FL. Contact the studio for details on custom drawings or paintings of *your* horses or to recreate your favorite equestrian memory.



“Final Jump” by Lynn Matsuoka. Oil painting on prepared board, 39 x 27 inches. \$7500.

BIRDS IN FLIGHT

The flight of birds over the Equestrian venues have recently captivated Matsuoka. Birds in flight are part of many of her Equestrian paintings. The sense of freedom and flight in the beautiful skies above invite a comforting, meditative sensibility.



“Ahead of the Rain” by Lynn Matsuoka. Oil and rice paper on on stretched canvas, 12 x 36 inches.

THE JAPAN COLLECTION

Lynn Matsuoka is known worldwide for her on-location work with the Japanese traditions KABUKI THEATER and SUMO for over 37 years in Japan. These paintings and drawings are available as originals or as high quality inkjet prints on paper and canvas, heavily hand enhanced by the artist. Available at reasonable prices, prints are available in several sizes. Each edition is limited to 20.



“Sumo Dohyo Iri” by Lynn Matsuoka, ink jet print, hand enhanced, 16 x 20 inches, ed.20. From the original painting done on location at the Tokyo stadium.



“Danjuro Agemaku” by Lynn Matsuoka. Ink jet print from the original painting done on location at the Kabuki-za in Tokyo, hand enhanced, 20 x 16 inches, ed.20.

Art by Lynn Matsuoka can be viewed during a private Studio Visit and Tour at Snake Hollow Studio in Bridgehampton, N.Y. To schedule a visit, call the studio at 631-537-5237 or text 808-479-5966 or email artist@hamptonsartist.com.

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