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## Connie Lynn Reilly

Native Atlanta, Georgia Artist Connie Lynn Reilly has been painting portraits since she could sit on her daddy's knee. Her love for portraiture is displayed in her beautifully painted oil and pastel portraits of children, adults and animals. Her distinct classical style is highly recognized by artists and collectors nationally as well as internationally. Connie's paintings and portrait art have won numerous National and International awards and are in numerous private, public and museum collections.

She has been published in national and international publications. Her pastel portrait of "Christine" is featured in the North Light book entitled, "The Best of Portrait Painting". She has also been published in International Artist Magazine and Drawing Magazine, The book "Art Journey Portraits & Figures" and the Art Renewal 2014/2015, 2016/2017 catalogues, Pastel Journal March 2019, 2020 as well as many local news articles.

In 1999 Connie was commissioned by the Royal Family of Bahrain, the Al Kahlifa family and completed a full-length portrait of the Emir's wife, Her Highness Sheikha Benna, and separate paintings of their two children. She has been a featured guest on local television shows, Gwinnett Today Show, WTV21 Talk of the Town, National television cable network "Fine Living" in a show entitled "Back to Basics" which was a special program featuring Connie's portraiture and portrait process and more recently Gainesville, GA TV.

She is the Founder, current President and Master Pastelists of the Southeastern Pastel Society. Other Professional Associations include the Portrait Society of America, American Society of Portrait Artist Signature member, Southeastern Pastel Society SPSMP, Oil Painters of America, International Guild of Realism Juried member, American Women Artists Signature member, National Oil & Acrylic Painters Society, Pastel Society of America Signature member, American Artists Professional League Signature member, American Society of Botanical Artists, The National League of American Pen Women.

In 2012 she was honored with the award of "Artist of the Year" by the American Society of Pen Women.

She is also co-owner with nine artists of "Gallery on the Square" in Gainesville, GA.

Connie is a master instructor in classical representational drawing and painting and an instructor for Michael Wilcox School of Color. She teaches classes and workshops to beginners, intermediate, advanced and professional artists.