

Dakota Nature & Art gallery and fine gifts

Kevin Haller

Artist Kevin Haller's oil paintings capture the vision of colors, textures & depth in a scene.

Kevin was born in Saint Louis, Missouri in 1960. His serious practice and study of art began in his early teens. As a natural extension to living on a family farm in rural Missouri, Kevin developed a keen interest in hunting and fishing. In the outdoor magazines at that time, he was awed continually by the wildlife art found on the front cover. It was thrilling to see an artist portray scenes beyond the capability of a camera. These artists and images inspired Kevin to create his own art and triggered his lifelong passion for art.

Kevin Haller's wife, Penny, is from South Dakota, and her parents have resided in the Black Hills region for many years. Family visits introduced Kevin to the Black Hills landscape and wildlife. His paintings express the feelings and atmosphere of the subject and scene. The goal is not to so much to transcribe nature, but rather to create a resounding impression of the impact that nature has on us. Paintings must evoke feelings and senses – to delight and thrill while capturing the vision of colors, textures and depth in each scene.

Significant awards and accomplishments:

- Saint Louis Artists' Guild Exhibition: "Traditions in 2-D"
Fred and Mildred Carpenter Annual Prize for Painting
- Watercolor Missouri National 2009
Award of Achievement
- Southern Watercolor Society 31st Annual Exhibition 2008
- Metzger Memorial All Media Exhibition – Saint Louis Artist Guild
Windsor Newton Award
- 2007 Saint Louis Artists' Guild Exhibition: "Warm Washes/Cool Colors"
Harold Bunting Memorial Prize (3rd Overall)
- 2007 Saint Louis Artist Guild Exhibition, "The Race Is On"
William Bixby Bequest Prize (Best of Show)
- 2004 Saint Louis Artists' Guild "Wet and Wild Watercolor" National Water Media Exhibition
Honorable Mention
- 2001 Saint Louis Artists' Guild "Aqueous Solution" National Water Media Exhibition
Artmart Award

Kevin Haller is blessed with a loving wife. Penny brings love, support, and endless interest in his art – her support is the cure for bad days and the toast on good ones. Kevin and Penny have two wonderful children, Ryan and Mary.