Originally from Columbia, Missouri, Rodney Burlingame earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Southwest Missouri State University in 1974 (now Missouri State), with a focus in commercial art. That same year, he accepted a position in Boston, Massachusetts where he worked for a number of advertising agencies for 30 plus years. First as an onstaff Art Director, then later as a full-time freelancer. During that time he won a number of industry awards including Hatch, Effie and Design 7.

A number of industries in which he worked included apparel, food, automotive, furniture, financial, beverages, healthcare, sporting goods, hospitality, media, education, business to business and manufacturing. Some of his more notable clients included, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Pepsi Cola, Harvard University, CVS and John Hancock Insurance.

Since 2013, Rodney has created over 200 acrylic paintings ranging from cityscapes to portraits and has won nearly fifty local awards, including Best of Show, First Place, Second and Third Place...as well as Honorable Mention.

He's been featured in a number of local publications, including The Columbia Daily Tribune, VOX Magazine, Columbia Magazine and the Jefferson City News Tribune.

Rodney currently resides in Columbia, where he continues to offer his services in graphic design as well as the fine arts. Feel free to visit his web site at: rwbfineart.com