

Raquel Tamayo Tripp

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Objective	To reveal the truth about subjects, beautiful colors, and vivid expressions in both plein air, narratives and portraits.
Artist Statement	<p>I consider myself a story teller. I am drawn to life experiences, ordinary moments, everyday places where I find extraordinary people.</p> <p>Mostly a self-taught artist, I've been painting portraits professionally for more than 10 years. I have attended workshops with world renowned portrait artists and study the art of master artist. I currently belong to several local art groups where I get inspiration and encouragement from fellow artists, and I teach art in a local school where I get to share my passion with children as I experiment with new techniques.</p>
Experience	<p>Commissions:</p> <p>Over 50 commissions painting youth, adults, families including 5 post mortem. In addition to commissions, I have had the privilege to paint the following prominent individuals: Cardinal Raul Vela, General Alexis Tamayo and wife, Entrepreneur Diego Proaño, CSX Vice-President Mr. Tom Schmidt, Bacardi Bottling Co General Manager and Vice-President Mr. Felipe Lopez, Resurrection School Vice Principal Millie Lopez, Pablo Rivera.</p> <p>Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Honorable Mention - Second Annual Art Competition – 1994 FFAA• Second Place All Other Media Category - Greater Haverhill (Massachusetts) Art Association Competition – 1999• Honorable Mention - Members Show – 2005 Oil Pastel Society• Third Place - Summer Guest Series - 2014 Southlight Gallery• Third Place – Summer Show – 2015 Jacksonville Coalition of Visual Artists• Second Place-Winter Show - 2015 Jacksonville Coalition of Visual Artists• Honorable Mention – Spring show – 2016 Jacksonville Coalition of Visual Artists <p>Leadership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Co-organized “Art of Ballet” – A successful fundraiser for the Florida Ballet where figurative artists came to the dance studio to sketch and photograph dancers during class - April 2013• Member of Committee charged with the formation and promotion of the First Coast Plein Air Painters 501c Corporation – since January 2015• Advertising Chair for the Inaugural Show for the First Coast Plein Air Painters – September 2015• Advertising Chair for the Member’s Shows for the First Coast Plein Air Painters – Summer and Fall 2016• Project leader at Resurrection Catholic School – Memory Project. The Memory Project is a charitable nonprofit organization that invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges, such as neglect, abuse, loss of parents, violence, and extreme poverty.• Participant and spokesperson – “Portraits for Hope” a collaboration between local artists and Compassionate Families Inc. Community Awareness project to honor the lives of youth lost to violence in Jacksonville.• Coordinator “Art of the Nutcracker” – Write prospectus and advertise event. Fundraiser: Local artist paint or dress a nutcracker which will be auctioned after the Florida Ballet’s Nutcracker performance in December. <p>Exhibits:</p>

- Escuela de Perfeccionamiento del Ejercito – 1994 – Quito, EC
- Greater Haverhill Art Association Show – 1999 - Haverhill, MA
- Hispanic Heritage Festival – 2003 – Jacksonville, FL
- Art Festival in San Marco – 2004 - Jacksonville, FL
- Womens Center – 2004 – Jacksonville, FL
- Solo Show - Steinway Gallery - 2005 – Jacksonville, FL
- Solo Show - Kerpeles Manuscript Museum - 2007 – Jacksonville, FL
- Solo Show - Colegio de Arquitectos – 2009 – Quito, EC
- Solo Show - Fundación Kingman – 2009 – Quito, EC
- Guest Artist - Southlight Gallery - May-June 2015 – Jacksonville, FL
- Featured Artist - 44 Monroe Gallery – Oct 2015 – Jacksonville, FL
- Featured Artist – Gallery 1037 – January - February 2016
- Represented by 44 Monroe Gallery and Trends Home Décor Gallery

Teaching:

- Paint at the Art League of Jacksonville along with students of all ages and skill level providing inspiration to paint portraits in oils – 2015 to present
- Art Teacher - Resurrection Catholic School - 2012 to present
- Art Teacher - St. Patrick’s Catholic School - 2013
- Adjunct Instructor for Advertising - FSCJ - 2010 – 2012
- Art Teacher – Homeschool Groups and After-school programs - 2009 - 2010
- Art Teacher – Adult Art Workshops – 2001 - 2004

Memberships:

- Portrait Society of America
- Cecilia Beaux Forum
- Jacksonville Coalition of Visual Artists
- First Coast Plain Air Painters
- The Art League of Jacksonville
- Oil Pastel Society – 2005

Education

MBA, Middle Tennessee State University

After starting a family, I began to pursue my lifelong passion for art. Mostly self-taught, I continuously develop my talent through art training in portraiture and plein air.

Art Workshops:

Copley Master Mark Hayden - weekly for 1 year period, Ecuadorian Master Artist Wilfrido Martinez - 8 individual sessions, Michael Shane Neal, Dawn Whitelaw, Everett Raymond Kinstler, Ann Kenyon - weekly for 2 year period, Igor Babailov, Paul Ladnier, Scott Eaton – online anatomy course.