

JOHAN BJURMAN

Johan Bjurman has been an artist for over 35 years. He is classically trained in the disciplines of trompe l'oeil painting, large scale mural painting, decorative arts including finishes, hand painted ornaments, and wood graining. He has also practiced plein air landscape painting during these years. Johan started his career as a pictorial artist in the outdoor advertising industry specializing in photorealism. He spent over 15 years working in the historical restoration, painting and conservation business and established Bjurman Studio specializing in these venues.

Working with a number of established painting and restoration companies, Johan has participated in a myriad of major restoration projects. Some of these include the Stadium Theater in Woonsocket, RI, the Culinary Institute of America in Poughkeepsie, NY, Executive Office Building and the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C., façade of the Fleur de Lis Building of the Providence Art Club, Most Holy Trinity Church in Pomfret, CT, and the State Houses of Rhode Island, Minnesota, Iowa, Virginia and Pennsylvania. Johan is particularly fond of designing and painting 7 trompe l'oeil lunettes of Mozart's operas which are installed at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia.

Recently retired, Johan has shifted his full attention to his plein air landscape painting in the Narragansett Bay area of Rhode Island and Southwest Florida. His work is represented in a number of collections in the Rhode Island area and he has exhibited his paintings in several galleries including the Hope Gallery of Bristol, RI, the Bert Gallery, Picture This and Providence Art Club in Providence, RI, the Greenville, RI Public Library and The Bird Key Yacht Club in Sarasota, Florida. Johan has recently moved to Englewood and participates in plein air activities with the Light Chasers and Peace River painting groups. He is a member of the EAC and the Venice Art Association. He is also a member of the Copley Society of Boston and the Oil Painters of America (OPA).