## PROFILE

Self-employed fine artist, working in a contemporary realist style, painting primarily in oil

## EXPERIENCE

Fine artist, New York & dubai 1989-present

Self-employed fine artist, oil painter, portrait painter, plain air and studio

Creation and sale of original works

Commissioned works

Jewelry Designer/CEO, Gemme Couture DMCC Dubai, 2009-2019

Established Jewelry Company

Design fine jewelry

Responsible for day-to-day operations of the company

Attorney, Various Law Firms New York, NY 1991-2004

Worked as an attorney specializing in Commercial, Real Estate and Family Law.

## EDUCATION

Benjamin N Cardozo school of law — jd 1991

New York academy of art— NY 1996-1998 CONTINUING EDUCATION in figurative art

Brown university — ba fine art (honors) & history 1988

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Rhode Island school of design (risd) — BROWN/RISD Exchange Program 1985-1988

Aiglon college— Switzerland 1984 “A” Levels, IB

## Exhibitions and awards

World Art Dubai 2019 Exhibition; Emerging Artist Competition -Finalist

Gallery 76 Dubai 2019 Group Show

Light Space Time Gallery: Annual Online Animals Art Competition May 2019- Special Recognition Award: “Romeo”

Light Space Time Gallery: Landscapes Art Exhibition June 2019- Special Recognition Award: “Tuscany Road”

Light Space Time Gallery: 555 Exhibition June 2019- Special Merit Awards: “Sunlight” and “Chloe”

## Memberships

Oil Painters of America

Dubai International Arts Centre

The Portrait Society

Art Renewal Center (ARC)