Spotlight Artist



## Amy Moglia Heuerman "Evoking Joy and Serenity with Blue Hues"

A committed, lifelong artist, Amy Moglia Heuerman was raised in Tennessee and Georgia, and moved with her family to New Jersey at 13, where she lived for more than 30 years before relocating to Omaha with her husband and two sons.

Now based in Naples, Florida, and Bay Harbor, Michigan, and married to attorney Paul Heuerman, Amy has transitioned from a 20-year career as a children's illustrator into a fine artist of coastal abstracts.

The self-taught artist has studied throughout her life, honing her craft. Her strong calling to create art began as early as kindergarten, when her drawing talent earned effusive praise from teachers.

Following graduation from the University of Richmond (Virginia) and two years as a second-grade teacher, Amy followed her creative drive and launched a business creating children's illustrations – books, cards, gifts, games and more revealed her unique talent for figurative illustrations. The venture was successful for 20 years, at which point Amy retired the business and moved from Omaha to Naples, Florida.

Southwest Florida was a revelation. Amy was dazzled by the water and sky, which evoked her childhood on the Jersey shore. Today, her paintings reflect her passion for natural landscapes with an emphasis on coastal scenes and moods.

A marked feature of her paintings is horizons, which draw viewers into the paintings and symbolize new beginnings.

She uses a unique combination of tools to apply paint to canvas. Starting with a primer of cadmium red, she then applies layers of hues of yellow, lavender, gray, black, and blue, using sponges, knives, brushes, and her favorite wallpaper scraper.

Her work has quickly caught the attention of Naples-based collectors and galleries. In Bay Harbor, Michigan, her summer home, she maintains a studio and gallery on the Village's Main Street. In addition, three of Amy's larger paintings are exhibited at Bay Harbor's Great Lakes Center for the Arts.

Another driving passion is Amy's commitment to giving back to the community through her volunteer work for Guadalupe Center and the Naples Botanical Garden, as well as donating paintings to Legal Aid of Collier County for its fund-raising auctions and Dart for Art in Petoskey, Michigan.

Amy's new collection establishes a connection with viewers, who bring their own experience to the art and see unique shapes and moods. Her mastery of layering, whimsy and color prevails in her canvases of hues both ethereal and earthy, guided by imagination, intuition and sense of adventure.

For more information on Amy and to see her gallery of artwork, please visit amyart.net.



"Fresh" 48 x 48 inches. Acrylic on canvas.



"Cotton" 60 x 48 inches. Acrylic on canvas.





Amy Art Gallery in the Village at Bay Harbor

"Beyond Me" ~ one of the paintings on display at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor.

Artist (Statement

Amy's intention as an artist is to evoke joy and serenity through a full spectrum of blue hues. Blue is peaceful, calm, and encourages an open mind. My lifelong love for sea and sky translates into abstracts with promising horizons. I work toward achieving the sweeping motion of clouds and tides through textured layering with tools ranging from brushes to palette knives to sponges to wallpaper scrapers and other hardware tools. My process evolves to reveal my state of being that I hope will uplift viewers. I paint in Naples, Florida, near the Gulf of Mexico, and in Bay Harbor, Michigan, near Lake Michigan, where I have a gallery and studio.