



Artists Bio: Bill Main “Watercolor Artist”

After four years of art in high school in Youngstown, Ohio, my teacher suggested that I should consider a career in art. Financial concerns and a desire to travel lead me to join the Navy for 4 years. I became a draftsman in the Navy, later a designer with an office furniture company, and finally a draftsman/designer in Engine Design at Ford Motor Company in Dearborn, Michigan. While my career did include mechanical drawing, family responsibilities, the passing of my first wife, and raising our four sons kept art on the back burner.



Several years before retirement, my second wife (MaryAnn) began encouraging me to pick-up some relaxing hobbies and bought me some art supplies for Christmas. I wanted to get back into painting, but it had been many years and I felt “rusty”.

Shortly after moving to “The Villages” in 2005, I joined the Wet-n-Wild Watercolor group. They are a nice group of people, and the weekly meetings provided me a wonderful opportunity to learn. I’m very grateful for all their help. I’m an active member of The VAL, VAA, Wet-n-Wild Watercolors, and the Hibiscus Watercolor group.



I’ve had the privilege of winning many awards, as well as taking art classes through the Life Long Learning College from some professional artists such as; Sterling Edwards, Mark Polomchak, Karlyn Holman and Joe Miller of Cheap Joe’s art stuff.



I’m always looking for ways to improve my art skills. I like the creativity, but best of all, I’m having so much FUN!

