

## Meet the Artist –

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# **M. BLAIR PESSEMIER**

Blair Pessemier was born in Seattle, Washington. He loved art from his earliest years, (he won the Post Cereal Box Coloring Contest in 1964). He drew and painted through high school, and graduated from Notre Dame with a degree in Architecture.

Blair won the Pike Place Market Poster Prize in Seattle in the late 1970s. He practiced architecture and design in Seattle in for several years, creating pieces of sculptural furniture in bronze, and several sets of fine silverware. In 1993, he and his wife, Laurie Fox Pessemier, moved to Paris.

In 1994, he taught a group of "plein air" painters, following in the footsteps of Monet, Sisley, and Renoir throughout He de France. He exhibited in Paris, at Bateau Lavoir, on Montmartre, for the first time in 1994. Since then, he has had numerous shows in Paris, as well as in the US.

Most recently, Blair exhibited at the Masters Golf Toumament in Augusta, Georgia, and at the famous "Deux Magots" in Paris. His work is known in Seattle, New York, Washington DC, North Carolina and France.