

# South End @ Kitsap County

**SOUTH END** ~ LAKEWOOD, NISQUALLY, NORMANDY PARK, OLYMPIA,  
SEAHURST AND TACOMA

**KITSAP COUNTY** ~ BREMERTON AND PORT ORCHARD

(Artwork Titles Alphabetically within the Communities)

## LAKWOOD

### *Enchanting English Thornewood Castle ~ 2014*

Elegant and enchanting Thornewood Castle on American Lake was a true "labor of love" for wealthy Chester Thorne. A man of many accomplishments in commerce, transportation, banking, cold storage and more, he chose famed Northwest architect Kirtland K. Cutter to design his "castle" in 1909 in the authentic old English Tudor manor style. Cutter incorporated many accoutrements of English architecture Thorne had purchased on several trips abroad. Prior to building the home however, Thorne hired the famous Olmstead Brothers to design sumptuous formal gardens. Cutter designed the castle afterwards expressly to take advantage of the views of these gardens, American Lake and Mount Rainier. Many believe Thornewood was Cutter's crowning achievement. I painted this piece to honor of my son Kevin Ward and Taryn Haffner's marriage there. *Highlight* - Upon completion of his residence, Chester Thorne was instrumental in developing Mount Rainier National Park.

## NISQUALLY

### *The Bay House ~ 1997*

One of the realtors who worked with my husband, Doug, was asked by an older couple to sell their seaside home built on a spectacular piece of Puget Sound waterfront property near Nisqually, Washington. In their 70s, their six children had grown up, married, and moved to other destinations all over the U.S. Needless to say, for everyone - the couple, children and grandchildren - this little spot held many memories. As a gift, the realtor commissioned this painting featuring all of the family members celebrating the 4th of July - a favorite tradition. In honor of "The Bay House," the family wrote this poem:

The gatherings started in '45. Friends and family brought the land alive.  
Till '47 the way in was by boat; the pond and the bay made a natural moat.  
The house was added in '62; the gatherings expanded as the family grew.  
This painting is to commemorate the very special 2005 date.

## NORMANDY PARK

### *The House in the Park ~ 2006*

This lovely home, bordered by flower beds and shrubbery in full bloom, is located in Normandy Park, a pretty neighborhood just south of Seattle on Puget Sound. The setting is the childhood home of Merri Berg, who commissioned this painting because this house holds so many memories for her. She is pictured in the foreground at age 10 with her dog, Skipper, who is receiving a quick nuzzle before she heads off to school.

## OLYMPIA

### *Happy Holidays at the State Capitol ~ 1997*

This is a portrait of Washington State's Legislative Building in Olympia. My friend, Jeff Ryken, and I are pictured in front of the festively decorated building with carolers from many different ethnic backgrounds - all celebrating the joys of the season! This piece was completed just in time for Christmas 1997. I gave a print of this artwork to Lt. Governor Brad Owen and his wife Linda to thank them for all of their generous support in promoting local Washington artists.

## SEAHURST

### *Stan's House at Seahurst ~ 1993*

Overlooking shimmering Puget Sound, this striking home belonged to my friends, Stan and Suzanne Foreman, and their little black cat, Squeak. This house was an easy, friendly place to visit and relax in - just like the owners. This painting was completed as a special birthday gift for Stan, who owns the original painting.

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## *The Shiny New Toy ~ 1995*

This is a portrait of my friend, Gary Coy's finished automotive "work of art" - a 1958 Mercedes Benz which he built from the "frame up." The proud owner and "creator" of the car is dressed to the nines in this piece - and ready to head out on the town with me to celebrate his accomplishment. This painting was completed as a special gift for Gary's 50th birthday.

TACOMA

## *Gary and Charlie's Wedding ~ 1995*

The big day at last (Sunday, July 23rd, 1995) - the wedding of Charlie and Gary Aleshire at "The Pagoda," Point Defiance Park. The groom was the E.M.S. Fire Chief for the Lakewood Fire Department, and his bride, Charlie, a nurse for "Airlift Northwest." The couple's home, located in University Place, was all dressed up for this occasion with blossoming rose bushes and hanging flower baskets. Featured (left to right) are me, Gary's son Ryan in the doorway, Charlie and Gary with best man and matron of honor, Howard and Jenny Kepnor.

## *Mrs. Tenent's Tiny Cottage ~ 1984*

I painted this sweet little bungalow as a special Christmas gift for the mother of a good friend of mine. She appreciated my "Americana" artwork style and was pleasantly surprised when her son Skylar commissioned this portrait of her beloved little cottage in Tacoma. Mrs. Tenent was blessed with a "green thumb" and filled her back yard with beautiful blossoming plants.

BREMERTON

## *Bill, Jorja and The Duchess at Christmastime ~ 1987*

This cozy cottage was the first home that my brother Bill and his wife Jorja purchased when they were first married. It was located in Bremerton on a lot that was big enough to hold three houses of its size. Jorja's tiger-striped kitty, Mitten (renamed by me as "The Duchess" because she was so regal), is pictured on the front lawn keeping the happy couple company. Bill's big dog, Sheeba, is keeping an eye on the scene from the front window. This painting was completed as a Christmas gift for the couple in 1987.

## *Bill @ Jorja's Christmas Cat ~ 2010*

This is a portrait of the lovely brick two-story Tudor owned by my brother Bill and wife Jorja near the community college in Bremerton. Sitting on a corner lot that boasts a huge cherry tree that blooms with frothy pink blossoms every spring. Their Christmas tree sparkles in the living room window while Mitten, their tiger cat, keeps an eye out for Santa. Our family has just arrived to share in Bill and Jorja's Christmas festivities. I reworked this original artwork in 2009 and gave it to Bill in honor of his 50th birthday.



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PORT ORCHARD

## *The Church House ~ 1998*

This uniquely designed house is located in Port Orchard near Bremerton. Known by some of its neighbors as "The Church House," it is the home to my oldest brother John and his children, Stephanie and Thomas. The kids are the "welcoming committee," waving from the front lawn in this fun painting celebrating summer days and sunshine.

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