

Santa Ysabel Art Gallery

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WILL GULLETTE TO EXHIBIT NEW PAINTINGS AT SANTA YSABEL ART GALLERY

At Santa Ysabel Art Gallery, February 23 through March 30, 2013, will be *Will Gullette, New Paintings*, a one person show featuring the work of north county artist and photographer Will Gullette. Featured in the exhibit will be the Gullette's landscape paintings, both plein air and studio. Opening Reception for the Will Gullette exhibit will be Saturday, February 23, 4-8 PM. The public is invited. Admission is free.

Will Gullette has been an artist since he could hold a drawing implement in hand. He holds a Master of Arts Degree with an emphasis in painting, drawing and printmaking from San Diego State University. After serving in the military Gullette returned to school to study photography and has been an award winning professional photographer since 1978. He is a Professor Emeritus at Palomar Community College, where he taught photography and art for 24 years. He is now retired from teaching. Gullette's work has appeared in several national and regional publications including San Diego Magazine and San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles Magazine where he has been a contributing photographer since the early 1980's. He makes his home in San Marcos.

Gullette started painting eight years ago on a sabbatical and this return to painting, took. Although he does some studio work, his painting now consists primarily of plein air landscape subjects. Retiring from teaching has allowed him to travel extensively, painting and photographing along the way. Gullette says, "it gives me reason to go somewhere and something to do when I get there." A highlight of this Santa Ysabel Art Gallery exhibit will be plein air paintings of the Grand Canyon and Colorado River, a painting trip from last year that Will Gullette is still talking about.

In the future Gullette plans to simplify and downsize his life in order to spend extended periods of time painting in beautiful places. These 'into the wild' plans include meeting other artists and making friends ... and being inspired. "If there is a living painter I admire I make it an effort to try and meet them." Will Gullette says, "I intend to travel, plant myself for a period of time and pretend I live there."

Santa Ysabel Art Gallery is located at 30352 Highway 78 at Highway 79 in Santa Ysabel, seven miles below Julian. A feature of the gallery is the James Hubbell Room, where the art of Hubbell, San Diego County's internationally known artist, poet and builder of organic houses is on exhibit. Admission to the gallery is free. Gallery hours are Thursday through Monday, 11AM - 5 PM, and by appointment. The gallery is closed Tuesday and Wednesday. For more information call 760-765-1676.