Recent Work: May 2021







Hide and Seek III

[Commission for Justine Sancho Design - Washington DC]
Oil on Canvas - 60x120





Acceptance

Commission for Toma and Amy Methvin, Montgomery Alabama
Oil on Canvas - 88x54



It's Never Too Late
[Oil on canvas, 36" x 36"]

Experience says that a dropping tide - about mid-way, moving high to low - is the best time to start a Sprague walk. Upstream from the Beach House to the white rocks at the base of Morse Mountain... pushing through the mushroom wood to the path that lands at the Big Beach where the mountain dips undergound to later form the Herons.

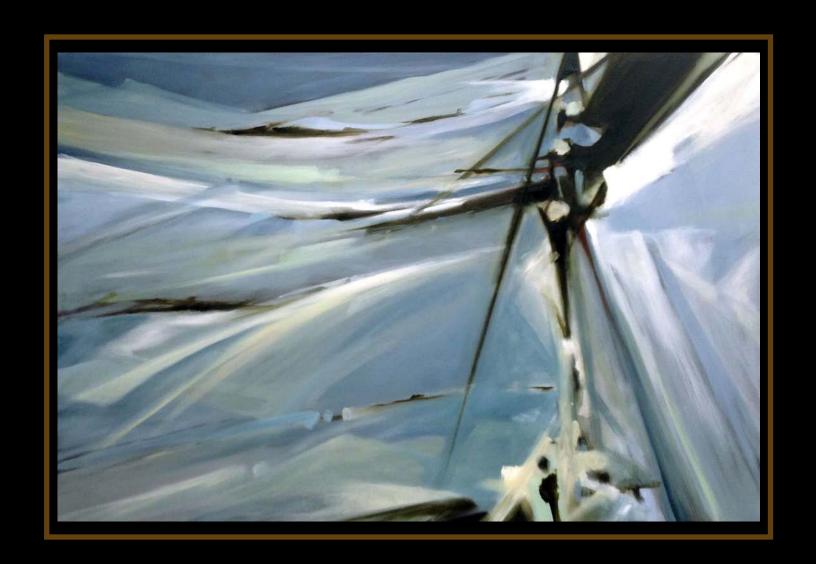
Then... that wonderful wide-open beach back to Small Point.

Time those three hours poorly, and you'll have to swim to The Club for cocktails, but... throughout it's run, that course shows almost every side and every face of this amazing place.

Some you can't see any other way.

Important to know that catching that tide early makes best start,...but just as important to know that even when you've missed it... it's never too late.

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Tuning The Rig

[Skyward, under sail] Oil on Canvas - 72x48





Sharing The Space Between

[Commission for Patt and Collin McKinnon, Norfolk, VA]
Oil on Canvas - 72x48



A Constant Congress - Coming Home #29

[Building - near Lower Matecumbe. Middle Florida Keys.]
Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Fulfilling a Familiar Promise

Frenzy. Aligator Lake open to the Gulf, Northwest Florida. Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Contemplating Commitment
[Intrigued but undecided, killing time on in the high meadow]



A Momentary Lapse of Reason
[Waiting to make a move... outside looking in, Lower Matecumbe]



Don't Ask The Angels How They Fly

Begining the return trip from Little Basin. Middle Florida Keys.
 Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Stepping Off

[Offshore view, North Atlantic night storms and city glow - from Wendell Barry's "The One Inch Journey"]

Commission for Svien Idsø, Oslo Norway

Oil on Canvas - 48x48

Stepping Off

Always, in the big woods, when you leave familiar ground and step off alone into a new place there will be, along with the feelings of curiosity and excitement a little nagging of dread.

It is the ancient fear of the Unknown, and it is your first bond with the wilderness you are going into.

What you are doing is exploring.

You are undertaking the first experience, not of the place, but of yourself in that place.

It is an experience of our essential loneliness; for nobody can discover the world for anybody else.

It is only after we have discovered it for ourselves that it becomes a common ground and a common bond, and we cease to be alone.

Wendell Berry
The One-Inch Journey



Stepping Off

[Offshore view, North Atlantic night storms and city glow - from Wendell Barry's "The One Inch Journey"]

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Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Just east of where west begins.

Approaching front. Near the back marshes.]Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Ripe for the Ringing

["I'd be happy just stand and watch the big weather come in... stand in the storm and feel the earth ring." - Once Wild Horse]
Oil on Canvas - 48x 48







Deeper Than Expected
[Pushing in... Near Mantanzaz, Cuba.]
Oil on Canvas - 36x24



Wait awhile... there's more.

[Composite thoughts on the Supermoon... toward Sequin, Small Point Maine] Oil on Canvas - 60x40



Back Where We Belong

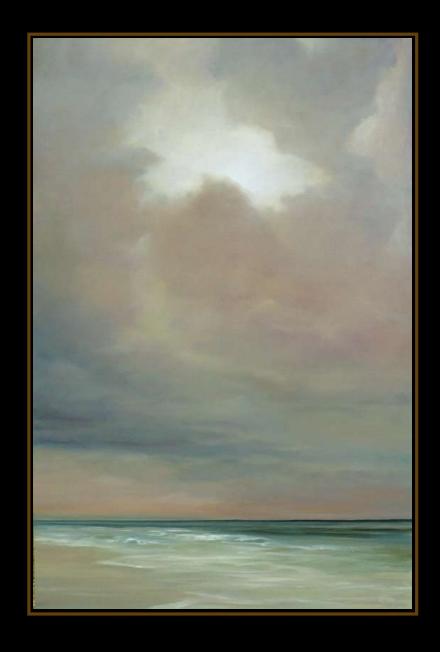
Final approach - west end of Chawctahatchee near the river mouth.

Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Learning to Listen Again

First signs... toward Flamingo, Lower Florida Bay.
Oil on Canvas - 48x36



Mornings with Maggie
[Winter, The Gulf near Draper Lake, Walton County, Northwest Florida] Oil on Canvas - 40x60



Sharing More Than Silence
[Walking with Stella, near Draper, South Walton County, Northwest Florida] Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Farewell Pete - Coming Home #25

[Close of a hot day - northerly heading from Little Harbour toward Tilloo]
Oil on Canvas - 48x48





Second Shift

[Commission for Scott and Dana Yaphe - Boston Massachusetts]
Oil on Canvas - 38x38



Hoping to be Hird

[Settling in - Hird Island, South Georgia Coast] Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Just A Little Longer
[Mid-day at Redfish Lake off Highway 30-A, South Walton County in Northwest Florida]
Oil on Canvas - 36 x 60



You only feel the first one - Coming Home #26

[Looking back before stepping off - Elbow Cay, Northern Bahamas] Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Just Another Turning Point

[Summer Solstice, waiting for Julian's redfish near Slydell Mississippi] Oil on Canvas - 48x36



Altering Course

[Rethinking everything - near the mouth of the Chockawhatchee River, Northwest Florida]

Oil on Canvas - 48x36



Cooler Than Planned

[Winter, mid-day - view back toward the dune curves at Grayton Lake, Northwest Florida]
Oil on Canvas - 40x40



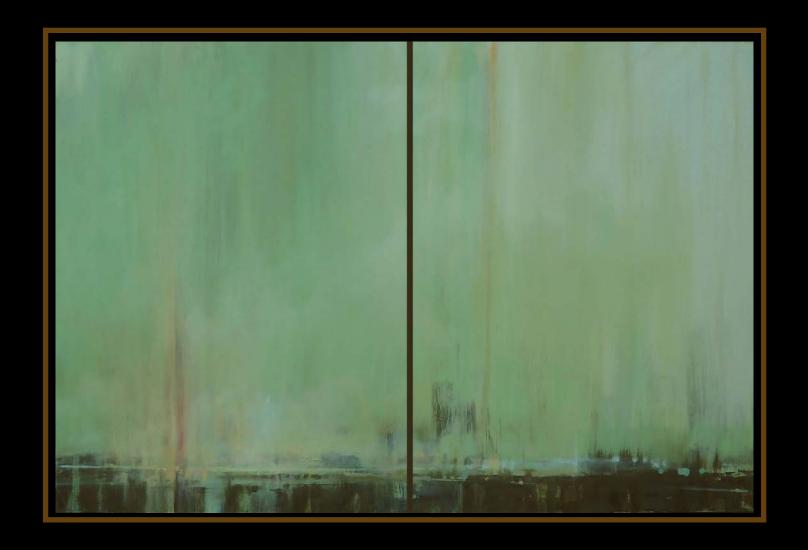
Last Things First

[Loosing light... beyond the Olive Marsh] Oil on Canvas - 48x30



A Few Minutes More

Waiting for the final bite - near Higgins Shoal, Little St. George, Apalachicola Bay, Northwest Florida]
Oil on Canvas - 48x30



Just In Time

[From the Brushfire Series - Interpretive Everglades Landscapes] Oil on Canvas - Dyptich 2 panels at 22x30 each



Re-Arrival

[From the Brushfire Series - Interpretive Everglades Landscapes]
Oil on Canvas - Dyptich 2 panels at 30x30 each







Still, Wanting More, I, II, and III

Shifting impressions near Elbow Cay, Abaco The northern Bahamas]
Oil on Canvas - 3 separate panels at 18x18 each



Backstory
[From the Ca'Pa series - afternoon light from the cliffs near Priano, Italy]
Oil on Canvas - 40x40



You can never go back.

[Dusk - waiting for the mosquitoes off Cesar's Creek, Upper Florida Keys]

Oil on Canvas - 40x40



Staring at the faces of strangers

Outbound - ear Bunker. Choctawhatchee Bay, Florida Panhandle
Oil on Canvas - 48x48



Remebering a William Burroughs Rhyme
Second in a series exploring poetry and painting - the Bay near Bunker]



Re-arrival II
[Final approach to The Big Beach, Morse Mountain Road, below the marshes]



Just you, just here, just now (working...)

[Alecia in Palm light on Mike's Porch, Abaco, Northern Bahamas] Oil on Canvas - 40x40



Second Impressions 1 and 2
[From the Southern Creek Series - Flat Creek and Gardner Run, deep Chactawhatchee]



"As if we'd never left."

Southern Waterways # 8. 1

Oil on Canvas - 48x72



Ripe for the Ringing

["I'd be happy just stand and watch the big weather come in... stand in the storm and feel the earth ring." - Once Wild Horse]
Oil on Canvas - 48x 48



As I Remember It #2

The Big Beach at Small Point - Mid-coast Maine]
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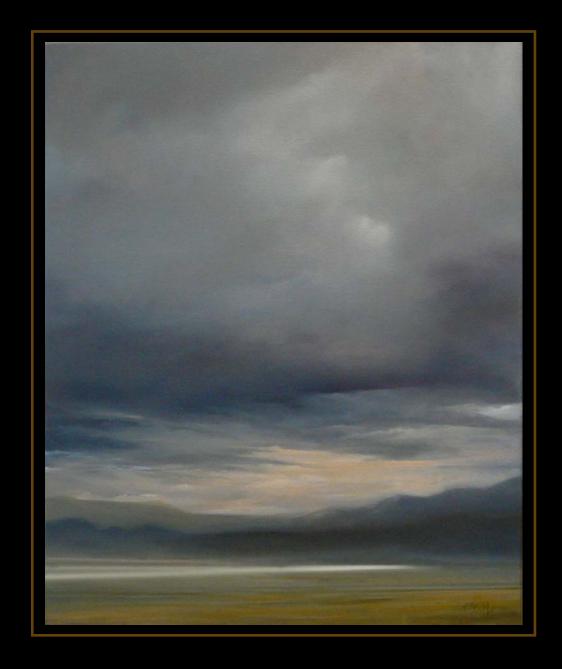


Still Too

[Right time - South Walton County, Northwest Florida] Oil on Canvas - 36x36



Settling
[Dusk, Lake Burton - Northeast Georgia]
Oil on Canvas - 24x30



More Than A Minor Adjustment

[View form the road - approaching storm over Henry's Lake, Idaho] Oil on Canvas - 24x30