



*Copper Pot and Cantaloupe II*

19 x 24 inches

Oil

Price available upon request



*Vase and Cantaloupe*

26 x 30 inches

Oil

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## Derek Scott

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### Bio

I am a self-taught artist who simply loves to paint. Period. For me, there is nothing like the satisfaction and exploration of the creative process. I was born in Gary, IN, but raised in Sweet Home, AR. Throughout my childhood, I always dreamed of becoming a professional artist. However, life had a different plan. After graduating high school in 1983, I spent four years active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps. It wasn't until 2006, a few years after I moved to Northwest Arkansas, that I began reacquainting myself with oil painting. I bought a bunch of art supplies, set up a studio in my garage, and just started painting – encouraged and inspired by local artists like Perrion Hurd and Stephanie Lewis. I stopped again soon after the birth of our youngest son in 2008 and picked back up in 2015, and have been painting ever since.

### Artist Statement

My goal as an artist is to create art that captures my viewers' imagination. My goal is to share my interpretation of everyday objects, using light and its effect on that composition to keep the viewer's attention and interest. Consequently, the light and shadow become important parts of the composition. It is an exercise in observation and the subject matter is nature – whether a landscape or still life. While I use a variety of materials, the medium for most of my work is oil (using a very limited pallet), although I have experimented in charcoal. While there may be some variation in my medium, the overall process and methodology remains consistent. The effect of that process and methodology produces work that is somewhat representational with a heavy dose of realism.