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Gambel Oaks in Snow 11x14 oil

“My goal is to translate the beauty I see into the language of oil landscape paintings.”

Born in Lawrence, Massachusetts in 1947, Diane moved several times while growing up living in Indiana the longest. Her education began as an English/Education major. A move to North Dakota put her education on hold for a while. In 1970, she and her husband came to Albuquerque. Diane took up watercolor at first as a hobby. She joined the New Mexico Watercolor Society where she met and painted with some very talented artists and participated in workshops with such artists as Milford Zornes, George Post, and Robert Wood.

When Diane decided to finish her education, she changed her major to studio art. She continued studying watercolor at UNM with Sam Smith, Intaglio with Jane Abrams and Methods and Materials with Harry Nadler. Diane graduated UNM with a BFA in 1985 and earned her MA in Education in 1987. Diane taught English and drama at Jefferson Middle School and then drama at Sandia High School. Retiring in 2005, Diane began painting full time. Her preferred medium now is oil as she loves how the brush work can show the hand of the artist.

Currently, Diane is a member of the Rio Grande Art Association, the Plein Air Painters of New Mexico, and the New Mexico Art League. She paints almost every day and paints weekly with a group of nine other artists, the “Plein Air Friends.” Diane has been juried into local shows like Masterworks and Encantada and frequently shows at the New Mexico Art League.

Diane is represented by **Weems Gallery**, 7200 Montgomery NE, Albuquerque, and by **Johnsons Galleries** in Madrid, New Mexico