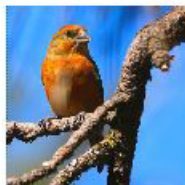


Linda Besse

From the Palette

Summer 2021



Red Crossbill
photo by Linda Besse
May 2021

In summer one expects sun and heat. What the northwestern U.S. didn't expect was a heat dome pushing our daytime temperatures in to the stratosphere. On our property we are making sure birds and other wildlife have fresh water to ease their stress. I hope gentle rains will soon quench drought-plagued areas in our country and throughout the world.

A new visitor has arrived. In the 30-plus years we have lived on our 12 acres we have seen deer, ruffed grouse, black bear, northern flying squirrels, pileated woodpeckers (one of five woodpeckers species we have), moose, bald eagles, porcupine, coyotes, and the tracks of mountain lions. Our new visitor? A skunk. She appeared several times and then one afternoon crossed the property accompanied by a large wave of black and white - her little ones. I would hazard a guess that will not be the last time we will see them.

Another Exciting Award for
Linda's painting *Ice Bear!*
It won the
Animal Award of Excellence
at the Oil Painters of America
National Juried Show



Linda's painting
Sandhill Spring Migration
is accepted in to the
Oil Painters of America Salon Show

Linda's painting of razorbills.
Razor's Edge,
will be in the
Artists for Conservation
Exhibit and Festival.



The Society of Animal Artists juried show,
Art That Matters to the Planet, has accepted Linda's painting
Ocean Fear for the show at the Roger Tory Peterson Institute.
The show tour will include the Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum in
Oradell, N.J. (November - January) and
The Sternberg Museum of Natural History in Hays, KS
(February - May, 2022)



UPCOMING SHOWS * Linda is scheduled to attend the shows and events with the *

June 10 - August 7 Oil Painters of America Salon Show, Quinlan Visual Arts Center, Gainesville, GA
www.oilpaintersofamerica.com

July 1 - September 1 Sea, Sand, & Shore Collection, Louisa Gould Gallery, Vineyard Haven, MA
*August 6, 4 - 7pm Casual First Friday Open House www.louisagould.com/gallery

*August 20 - 21 C. M. Russell Museum Auction, C. M. Russell Museum, Great Falls, MT
www.cmrussell.org Auction painting: *Wild Mustang*

August 22 - October 25 Society of Animal Artists' **Art That Matters to the Planet**
Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Jamestown, N.Y. www.societyofanimalartists.com

September 23 - 26 Artists for Conservation Exhibit, VanDusen Botanical Gardens, Vancouver, B.C. Canada
www.artistsforconservation.org

*November 12 - 14 Waterfowl Festival 50th Anniversary, Easton, MD www.waterfowlfestival.org

