



TONY PETERS, PANTRY, OIL, 28 x 40.

Tony Peters

California

Born: Worthington, MN, 1976.

Art education: Bachelor of fine arts from the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, CA.

Style of work: Painterly style grounded in realism.

First art sale: "In 1999 I brought my work to Tirage Gallery in Pasadena while I was still in art school. A client of the gallery came in and bought one before I was even represented."

Second-choice career: "When I was working my way through school, I worked in a gallery. If I weren't a painter I guess that's what I would do, but I really have to paint."

Favorite artists: Painters in the Ashcan school.



Favorite subject: Urban landscapes.

Other passions: Taking long lunches, going to the gym, and participating in church activities.

Fantasy art trip:

"Last year I spent a month in Europe going to the great museums in Paris, Berlin, and Amsterdam. I wanted to do that for as long as I can remember. Next I want to go to Spain and Italy."

Favorite studio music: Mozart, U2, Sting, and Louis Armstrong.

Pet peeve: Art that doesn't have a point. "I want to do work that will leave its mark and work that I feel is important to myself and moving to others."

Favorite artworks: "Richard Bunkall was a huge influence on me as a teacher. He taught me the importance of doing what's important."

Creative spark: "I have a huge collection of art books—my studio is packed from floor to ceiling. I also get inspired by going to museums and galleries."

Next big goal: To finish an epic landscape painting with multiple figures.

Price range: \$1,000-\$4,000.

Galleries: Tirage Gallery, Pasadena, CA.