## **Judge**

**John Burton** is an award- winning oil painter best known for his stirring and vivid depictions of the transitory beauty of our ever-changing world. He is at once tangibly influenced by the Western and Russian painters of the early twentieth century, and entirely unique in his remarkable ability to capture the profound spirituality and majesty of his surroundings. Burton has traveled and painted around the globe, always maintaining his home and artistic center in the American West. Burton's deep American roots permeate the rich, natural character of his art, and inform his work's reverent tone. He is one of Carmel's most celebrated artists.

Selected Magazines Articles
Featured in Art of the West Dec. 2013
Featured in American Art Collector
Featured in Southwest Art Magazine
Cover Article Art Life Magazine.
Featured in American Art Collector
Featured in International Artists Magazine
Featured in Southwest Art Magazine
Featured in the Arizona Republic
Featured in The Artbook Magazine
Featured in the San Diego Reader
Featured in Art Talk Magazine



## **Selected Awards**

Artist Choice Award Laguna Beach Plein Air Invitational

Plein Air Magazine Award of Excellence, Laguna Beach, CA

First Runner Up in the American Impressionist Society

Grand Prize and Artist Choice Torrey Pines Plein Air Invitational, San Diego, CA

Award of Excellence at the Oil Painters of America National exhibition. Kirkland, WA

Award of Excellence at the Oil Painters of America National show. Taos, NM.

Honored with Signature Membership Laguna Plein Air Painters

Honored with Signature Membership Rocky Mountain Plein Air Painters

TOP 100 for "Arts for the Parks." Jackson, WY.

Wild, Wild West Plein Show, Awarded Peoples Choice and Honorable Mention. Phoenix, AZ Best of Show at the Art Splash National Show, TX

Narrative Excellence Award at the National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society National Show.

First Runner Up in the National Oil and Acrylic Painters Society National Show.

First place for Artist Magazine Portrait Competition

Honored with Signature Membership Oil Painters of America